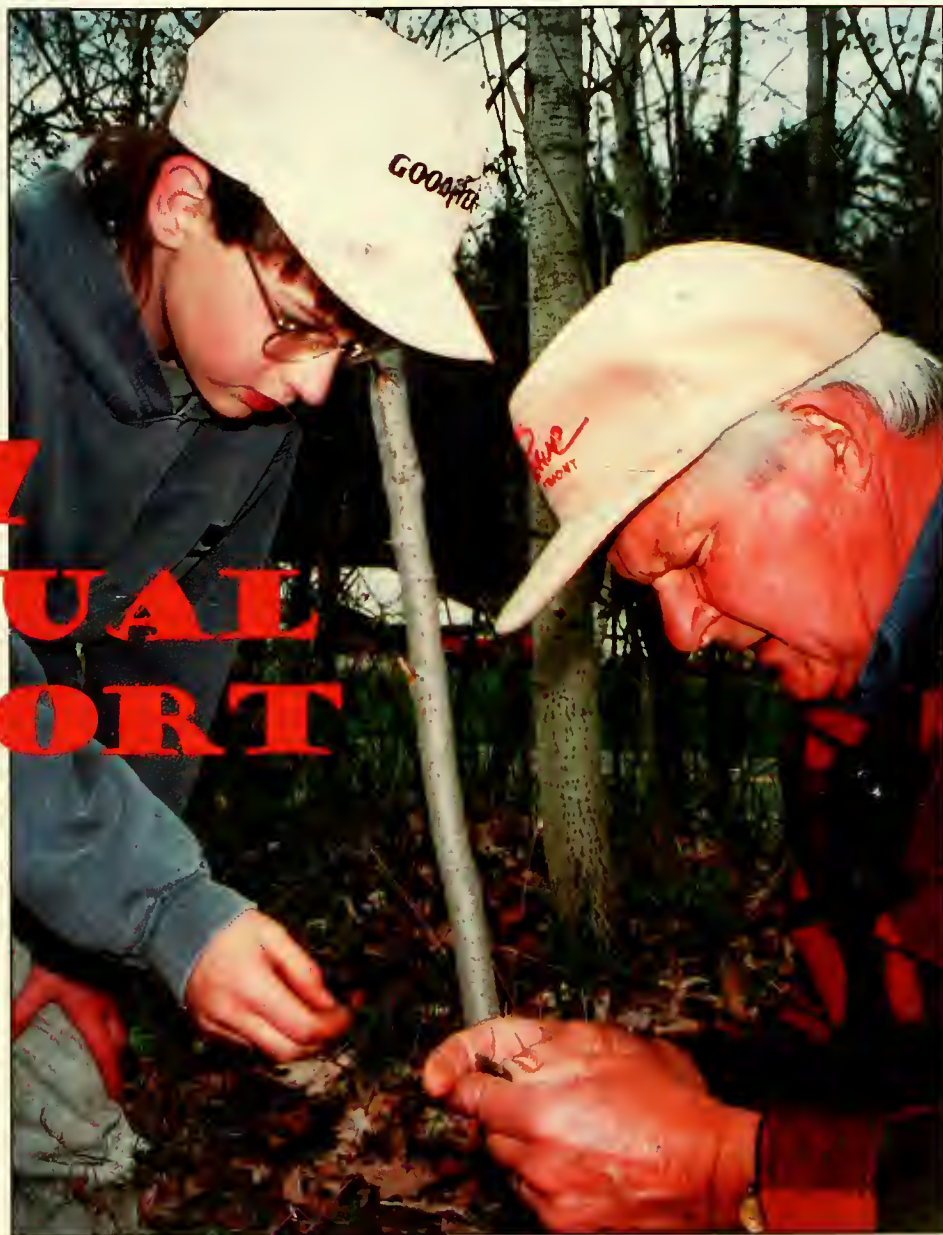


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THE YEAR OF THE
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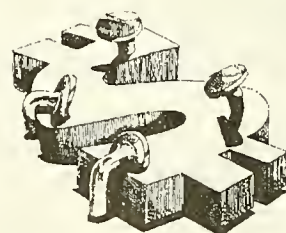
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*"To everything, there is a season ...
and, history records, to every seasoned Town
Report procurer, writer, and producer, there is the
expectation that this season, too,
will pass ... "*

— VOICE HEARD 'NEATH the STACKS
while COLLATING



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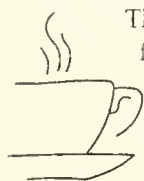
THE GRANTHAM VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES' AUXILIARY



he Board of Selectmen wish to dedicate this Town Report to the:
"Grantham Volunteer Fire
Department Ladies' Auxiliary"

— a small band of dedicated and caring individuals who work quietly

behind the scenes on behalf of the Grantham Fire Department, and who also spread their goodness to other groups or individuals in their acts of sharing.



The Ladies Auxiliary was founded in 1980 by

Theresa Bagley who sent postcards to all the wives of the

firemen's roster of that era, asking them to join.

Those charter members were: Theresa Bagley, Shirley Sanville, Kate Benoit, Peggy Miles, Linda Gallien, and Diane Traegde.



Their meetings took place in the attic of the old Firehouse, then located next to the Methodist Church.

Their prime function is to act as a fund-raising arm for the Fire Department. Most Grantham residents have participated in the June Flea Market and "Christmas in August"

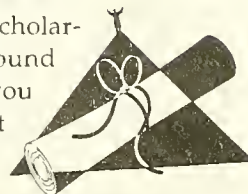


Craft Fair.

The ladies are also omnipresent for the big July Auction.

In addition to assisting the Fire Department, the ladies have helped with the local scout

troops, and provide a small scholarship for any college-bound Grantham graduate. Also, if you are unfortunately sick, do not be surprised to see a personal bouquet of flowers from the ladies!



It is fitting to name the current membership so, as residents, we may take the time to thank them, as well as to extend our written thank

you now to:

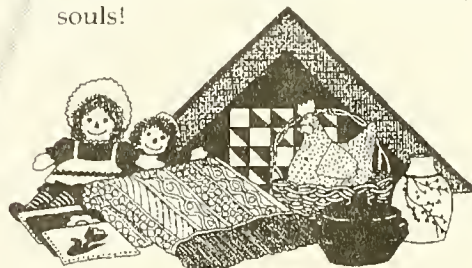
Kate Benoit,
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Pat Fountain,
Susan Tambon,
Cathy Seavey,
Ann Legacy,
Debbie Palermo,
Robin Palermo,
Sandy Palermo, and
Mildred Guyette.



Whenever ...
**THERE'S A
WOMAN
TO BE DONE.**

We understand the membership is open, so call any one of the ladies if you are interested in joining them.

The next time you see the ladies of "red and white" on parade at the Old Home Day, give them a big cheer — they deserve it! Grantham would be a different place without the skills, energy, and hearts of these good souls!



THE FOUNDING MEMBERS, 1980:

Theresa Bagley
Shirley Sanville
Kate Benoit
Peggy Miles
Linda Gallien
& Diane Traegde

THE CURRENT MEMBERSHIP:

Kate Benoit
Linda Gallien
Pat Fountain
Susan Tambon
Cathy Seavey
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Debbie Palermo
Robin Palermo
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& Mildred
Guyette.

TOWN GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE



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FOREWORD — OUR COVER STORY

THE 1997 ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG

BY NAN PARSONS • TEACHER, GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL

In the spring of 1997, 3rd and 4th Grade students at Grantham Village School journeyed to Fowler's Mill on Route 10 in Grantham for a two-week archeological dig. During their dig, they unearthed over 300 artifacts in the first three days alone, and over 1,000 during the two weeks.

The site is currently owned by Allen Walker, whose grandfather owned the mill at one time. The mill operated from 1820 to 1910, changing hands numerous times in the 90 years.

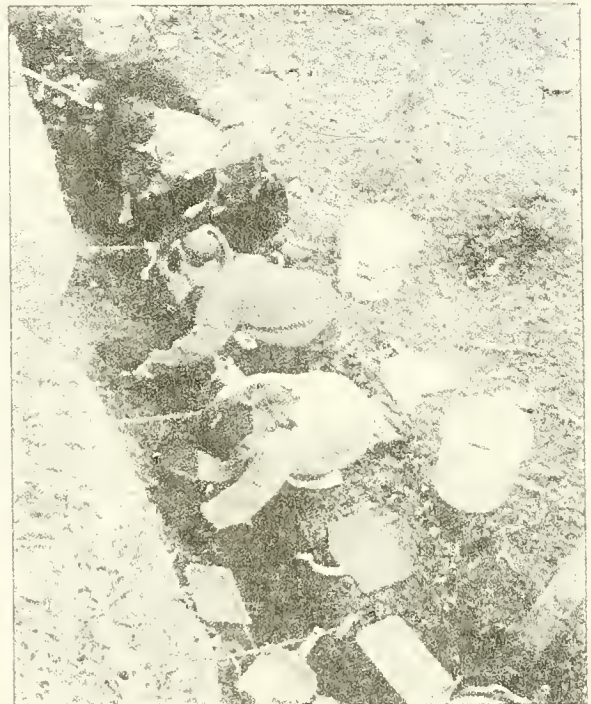
The project was supervised by Archeologist Gordon Crandall, who has been involved in the excavation and preservation of numerous archeological sites and who has supervised student digs for 10 years.

The Grantham dig, although not a prehistoric dig, used the same methods to investigate the historical site. The first day was dedicated to a surface search, during which students found numerous artifacts, including tin toys, bottles, handmade bricks, and pieces of china from the 1700s.

Prior to digging, the areas where artifacts were most likely to be found were marked off in six-meter grids, which were further divided into one-meter squares and then into 50-centimeter quadrants. The grids were located in the cellar-hole of the family house, just outside the back and side doors, and near the steps of the mill site. The students worked in pairs, with each member of a team digging two quads of a square.

During the dig, students found Bennington Pottery, Bennington-glazed stoneware, pieces of tile and brick, Delftware, porcelain, numerous hand-forged nails, a toy gun, a clay marble, the legs of a toy horse, bottles, and much more. Two students dug down to two large, flat stones, thought to have served as steps to the doorway.

Throughout the two weeks, dozens of



Grantham residents stopped by to watch the progress of the dig. Many had stories to share of their knowledge of the mill. This further extended the interest of our students in their town's history.

The dig was used as part of a Grantham History curriculum unit as well as strengthening extensive math, science, and social studies skills. The project was a way to apply, in a meaningful way, the metric concepts the students had been learning in the classroom.

The artifacts will be on display at the Grantham Village School for all to enjoy the history of our town. As further digs occur, artifacts will be added to the collection.





TOWN INFORMATION



Selectmen's Office Hours

Tuesday through Friday

7:30 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Phone: 863-6021/Fax: 863-8152

P.O. Box 276, Grantham, NH 03753-0276

Road Agent Hours

Monday through Friday

Phone: 863-9156

Town Clerk/Tax Collector Hours

Monday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Tuesday, 4:30 p.m. - 8 p.m.

Wednesday, 4:30 p.m. - 7 p.m.

Thursday, 7:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Phone: 863-5608/P.O. Box 135

Grantham Police Department

Phone: 863-6844 (non-emergency)

Fax: 863-8152/P.O. Box 704

Dunbar Free Library Hours

Monday & Wednesday:

9 a.m. - 12 noon

12:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.

6:30 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.

Thursday:

9 a.m. - 12 noon

12:30 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Saturday: 9 a.m. - 12 noon

Phone: 863-2172/P.O. Box 1580

Burning Permits: Fire Warden

Ken Barton, 863-2907

EMERGENCY NUMBERS

9-1-1

FIRE • POLICE

F.A.S.T. • AMBULANCE

Eastman Community Association Office

Phone: 863-4240/P.O. Box 53

Village District Eastman

Phone: 863-6512/P.O. Box 990

Public Schools

Grantham Village School

Hours: 8 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.

Phone: 863-1681/P.O. Box 287

Lebanon Junior High School

Phone: 448-3056

75 Bank Street

Lebanon, NH 03766

Lebanon Senior High School

Phone: 448-2055

195 Hanover Street

Lebanon, NH 03766

SAU #32

Phone: 448-1634

P.O. Box 488

Lebanon, NH 03766

TRANSFER & RECYCLING STATION

Winter Hours (Standard Time) * Summer Hours (Daylight Savings)

Sunday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Monday 8 a.m. - 11 a.m.

8 a.m. - noon**

Wednesday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

2 p.m. - 5 p.m.

Friday 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

10 a.m. - noon**, 2 - 5 p.m.

Saturday 8 a.m. - noon

8 a.m. - noon

**also Christmas
through
New Year's Day

METALS deposited only on Wednesday & Saturday, please.





TOWN OFFICERS



Moderator	Merle Schotanus • 1998	Historical Society	Allen Walker, President
Selectmen	William Hutchins • 1999		Barbara Mutney, Vice President
	Chick Pillsbury, Chair • 2000		Conrad Frey, Treasurer
	Myron Cummings • 1998		Ella Reney, Secretary
Town Administrator	April Whittaker	Town Archivist	Lea Frey • 1999
Bookkeeper/Secretary	Sandra Palermo	Hogreeves	Merton & Sarah Hastings
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	Frances L. Hastings • 1998	Planning Board	Bob Weiss, Chair • 1998
Deputy	Shirley Curtis		Carl Hanson, Vice Chair • 2000
Treasurer	Henry Robinson • 1999		Tammy Wilson • 1998
Cemetery Trustees	Warren Kimball • 1999		Allen Walker • 1999
	Francis Mutney • 1998		Chick Pillsbury, Selectmen's Representative
	Dennis Howard • 2000		Bill Hutchins, Alt. Selectmen's Representative
Cemetery Sexton	T. Edward Buckman	Planning Board Alternates	Vacant • 1998
Conservation Commission	Carl Hanson, Chair • 1999		Michele Daigle • 1999 — Ed MacNeill • 2000
	Jim Berg, V. Chair • 2000		Tina Hastings, Secretary
	Jerry Ellsworth • 1999		Russell E. Lary
Easement Monitoring	Mike Holdowsky • 1998	Police Chief	Jerry A. Whitney
	Connie Howard, Secretary/Treasurer • 1998	Police Sergeant	Massad Ayoub
Conservation Commission Alternates		Special Police Officers	Stewart Adams, Roger Bloomfield, Walter Madore,
	Dick Hayes • 1999		F. Robert Osgood, & F. Robert Schwartz
	Russell Keat • 1998	Recreation Department	Jim Peirce, Director
	Peter Forest • 2000		Ellen Morey
Custodian	T. Edward Buckman	Representatives to the General Court,	
Dunbar Free Library Trustees	Charles Pearce • 1999	Grantham & Springfield	
	Allen Walker • 2000		Merle Schotanus • 1998, Grantham District 3
	Ronald Shepherd • 1998		Richard Leone • 1998, Sunapee District 2
	Suzanne Lower • 1998	Representatives to the UVLS Regional	
	James McClune • 1998	Planning Council	Ed Jenik • 1998
Librarian	Allisen Heath	Road Agent	Joseph Newcomb
Assistant Librarian	B. Joey Holmes	School Board	Shannon Hastings, Chair • 1998
Friends of the Dunbar Free Library			Terry Dorr • 2000
	Bobbie Travis, President • 1998		Charles Rogers • 1999
	Marcia Clayton, Vice President		Shannon Hastings, Clerk • 1998
	Conrad Frey, Treasurer		Carl Hanson, Moderator • 1999
	Joan Krumm, Secretary	Supervisors of the Checklist	Allen Walker • 2002
	Jean Simon		Lucia Ballantyne • 1998
Fence Viewers	Arnold Anderson & Victoria Smith		Henry Barton • 2000
F.A.S.T. Squad	Vacant President	Transfer Station Attendants	Herm Barton
	Eileen Sargent, Treasurer		Donald Herman
	Mike Traegde, Coordinator	Trustees of Trust Funds	Conrad Frey • 1998
	Robin Palermo, Assistant Coordinator		Connie Howard • 2000
	Mike Traegde • 1998		Ted Short • 1999
Fire Chief		Welfare Official	Board of Selectmen
Deputy	Jim Mutney	Zoning Board of Adjustment	
Captain	Mike Benoit		Lewis "Bud" Hennigar, Chair • 1998
Lieutenants	Bob Seavey (1)		Dick Mansfield • 1999
	Chris Palermo (2) & Doug Fountain (3)		Joe Bergin • 1999
Treasurer	Bob Guyette		John Clayton • 1999
Secretary	Robin Palermo		Wilfred Hastings • 2000
Emergency Management	Mike Traegde, Director	ZBA Alternates	Barbara Roll • 2000
Fire Warden	Kenneth O. Barton		Carol Sturgis • 1998, Conrad Frey • 1998
Deputies	Mike Traegde, Everett R. (Mike) Reney,		Kathie Hale • 1999
	Jim Mutney, Paul Osgood, & Mike Benoit	Representatives to the NH/VT Solid Waste District	
Health Officers	Kenneth Kerwin, Board of Selectmen		William Hutchins & Ed Jenik • 1998





RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW



A GUIDE TO PUBLIC ACCESS

1. What is the "Right-to-Know" Law, RSA 91-A?

It is New Hampshire's statute which emphasizes that the business of the Town is the public's business. It makes clear that, with very few exceptions, the public has access to Town records and meetings held in connection with Town Government.

2. Who does it cover?

All of us, whether we are elected officials, employees or volunteers serving on Boards of the Town of Grantham.

3. What does it cover?

It covers all "meetings." A "meeting" occurs whenever a quorum of a Board, Committee or Subcommittee gathers and discusses or acts upon a matter over which that Board, Committee or Subcommittee has supervision, control, jurisdiction, or advisory power. The law also requires that the business of a Board be conducted at a meeting, rather than by telephone, E-mail, or private gathering of individuals.

4. If it is a meeting, what does that mean?

- A notice of the time and place of the meeting must be posted at least 24 hours in advance (excluding Sundays and legal holidays) in at least 2 public places.

- The public is entitled to attend and may record or videotape the proceedings.

- All votes, with the very few exceptions itemized below, must be taken in open session and not by secret ballot.

- Minutes must be taken and made available to the public within 144 hours.

5. When can we hold a nonpublic session?

Rarely. The Right-to-Know Law lists certain limited situations which allow a Board to go into nonpublic session. Those situations are:

- Dismissal, promotion, or setting compensation for public employees, RSA 91-A:3, II (a).

- Consideration of the hiring of a public employee, RSA 91-A:3, II (b).

- Matters which, if discussed in public, would likely affect adversely the reputation of any person — however, this cannot be used to protect a person who is a member of your Board, Committee or Subcommittee, RSA 91-A:3, II (c).

- Consideration of the purchase, sale, or lease of real or personal property, RSA 91-A:3, II (d).

- Discussion of pending or threatened (in writing) litigation, RSA 91-A:3, (e).

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SCHEDULE OF MUNICIPAL & SCHOOL MEETINGS

Board of Selectmen

2nd & 4th Wednesdays each month

2nd Wednesday: 7 p.m., Town Office

4th Wednesday: 3:30 p.m., Town Office

Conservation Commission

3rd Wednesday each month

7 p.m., Town Office

Planning Board

1st Thursday each month

7 p.m., Town Hall

Zoning Board of Adjustment

2nd Tuesday each month

By call of Chairperson/7 p.m., Town Office

Grantham Volunteer Fire Department

1st Tuesday each month

7:30 p.m., Fire Station

Grantham Fire Department Ladies' Auxiliary

1st Wednesday each month

7 p.m., Fire Station

Grantham F.A.S.T. Squad

4th Tuesday each month

7 p.m., Fire Station

Grantham School Board

2nd Thursday each month

7 p.m., Village School Library





RIGHT-TO-KNOW LAW



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6. How do we go into nonpublic session?

A motion must be made which specifically identifies the statutory category which is the reason for going into nonpublic session and then a roll-call vote must be taken in which each member's vote on the motion must be recorded.

7. If we go into nonpublic session, what then?

- Minutes must be taken just as you would in an open session.

- Decisions can be made in nonpublic session.

- You must stick to the subject which was the reason for going into the nonpublic session; if there is need to discuss other matters which discussion would be covered by a different exemption, you need to first come out of nonpublic session and then vote to go back in under that different exception. It is only in this way that a proper record can be prepared for public review.

- The minutes from the nonpublic session must be made public within 72 hours unless two-thirds of the members, while in nonpublic session, determine that the divulgence of the information likely would adversely effect the reputation of any person other than a member of the Board, Committee, or Subcommittee, or render the proposed action ineffective. Under those circumstances the Minutes may be withheld until those circumstances no longer apply. Action required to sequester.

8. Which Public Records are accessible?

The public has access to all records held by the Town except to the extent they may fall under one of the exemptions listed above.

9. How quickly do the records need to be supplied?

If the requested record cannot conveniently be made available immediately, there is a deadline of five (5) business days for complying with the request.

10. If there is a question as to whether something is open to the public, what do I do?

Consult with the Selectmen and they will get advice from Town Counsel, if necessary.

11. In what format can the public demand that Town records be produced?

Most records are available for photocopying but the Right-to-Know Law also extends the right to obtain computer disks of material already in the Town's computers. A reasonable charge can be made to cover the cost of providing the copies or disks. In no case, however, does a member of the public have the right to demand that the Town collect, search for, or arrange information that is not already pulled together for the Town's own purposes.

This document is intended as a general outline of the "Right-to-Know" Law and for ease of use is somewhat simplified. If you have any questions, please contact the Board of Selectmen.





BOARD OF SELECTMEN



*"Nothing astonishes men so much as
common sense and plain dealing"*
— Ralph Waldo Emerson.

The quote above best fits our approaches to everything that comes under the board's job description. We hopefully succeeded in 1997 in maintaining those standards of common sense and plain dealing.

The 1997 Town Meeting approved many changes for your town government; the most significant being the changeover to a new fiscal year. This has meant our 1998 Town Meeting warrant will be presented as an 18-month budget. No doubt this will generate, shall we say, some discussion.

The road agent took possession of his new truck in May and the police department took possession of its new cruiser in April.

Our road agent became extremely qualified in construction of car parks — being the engineer, clerk of the works, and head backhoe operator for our two proposed car lots that were approved by town meeting.

The church/town hall car lot was expanded thanks to the generosity of Howard and Louise Spiess who purchased the adjacent property and then donated the same to the town. It is appropriate to publicly thank the Spiess' in this report. Once the acquisition became reality, the next task was to demolish the building that came with the property. Following a bidding award, the building was quietly dismantled within a couple of days and Joe Newcomb moved in — the rest is now history. We have enough money left from the appropriation to carry out Phase II, i.e., the paving in 1998.

The school car lot was expanded and the school board took the opportunity to upgrade the access road around the Village School for school buses and fire equipment only.

The board took advantage of a free Road Management Survey as conducted by the Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Planning Commission. It is hoped this will provide the basis of a five (5)-year road management plan, which will prioritize where needs are greatest and at what potential cost. This same survey was inclusive of all private roads within the boundaries of Grantham, and was shared with the ECA Board.

We still retain our cautious optimism with regards to closure permits for our former landfill. Well test results continue to provide a clean bill of health. We are on the "docket" with the State of NH for 1998. During 1997 we recognized that our transfer station was not conducive to traffic flow given the increases to our population since 1984. Also, ever mindful of any state recommendations, it appeared that one of the quickest fixes, at this juncture, would be to move the recyclables to prevent traffic from "bunching" in one corner. We think this movement would not only enhance traffic flow but still provide you with your "social discourse". With your approval, we intend to carry this through in 1998.

The "voting machine" was purchased and all being well in terms of training, we expect to make use of the machine for 1998 Town Meeting.

Although we believe "the easiest way to get rid of a difficult task is to just do it", the proposed ball-field construction has made us eat our words. The sheer physical, geographical constraints and permitting process has given rise to delays, rethinks, and "are there alternative sites?" The early snow did not help either. However, we are hopeful of raising the project from the dead. It has been placed firmly at the head of our "TO DO" list for 1998, if feasible.

The steerage of the NH/VT Solid Waste Project has been turned over to Mary Williams who was appointed manager in June. We thank Ed Jenik for his diligent representation on behalf of Grantham. The district continues, at long last, to make much needed progress.

Summertime provided the impetus to upgrade the Police Department with a new front door, revamped evidence room, new carpets and tiling, new ceiling tiles, new furniture and — last but not least — that modern marvel, new light switches. It is not ideal, but it certainly is a lot more comfortable downstairs. A fresh coat of paint, new curtains, and floor refurbishment were also provided in the town hall.

The year 1997 saw the finale of the townwide revaluation — a shock for some, a justification for others. The public hearings conducted in June produced a less than 10% "dissatisfied" factor.

To date, and as we write this report, we have





BOARD OF SELECTMEN



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duced a less than 10% "dissatisfied" factor.

To date, and as we write this report, we have received 10 abatement requests. Sales data from 1997, thankfully add further credence to many of the values. As always, the office is willing to help any resident concerns regarding their assessment.

On the subject of assessments, we would confirm that we have been negotiating for taxation purposes, with members of the Board of Directors at Eastman, regarding certain properties under ECA (Eastman Community Association) control. Clearly both boards would like a resolution so as to avoid court action. We are reminded of Winston Churchill's quote "Always remember, however sure you are that you can easily win, there would not be a war if the other man did not think he had a chance." At this juncture, this appears to be the philosophy of your Board and the Board of Directors!

As usual, the office staff had to cope with extra work loads due to the revaluation and map numbers changeover, so it was pleasing to see Barbara Mutney back to help at pressure times. You will recall that Barbara used to be the full-time selectmen's secretary/bookkeeper. Also, the board members have been pleased with productions of our quarterly newsletter *The Insider*. We hope you, too, will find the articles of value. We would love to hear from you if you have any ideas or comments as to how we could improve upon the format or if you have any issues that you would like to see as topics in the newsletter.

We would like to thank the Old Home Day committee for another command performance for July 4. They gratified many folks and astonished the rest of us. Well done!

Eastman celebrated the opening of "The Center". It rose, quite literally, from the ashes of the old building and is a building that everyone can be proud of. We hope all residents have taken the opportunity to look at it.

Our 1996 Town Report won recognition for its excellence by the NH Municipal Association. We thank Hedgehog Publishing for their formatting and contributing writers for their dedication. We were honored with a "1st Place" at the awards cer-

emony in November. The plaque can be viewed at the Town Offices.

We are again asking you to consider changing the business portion of your Town Meeting from a Tuesday to a Saturday. It will be a ballot question and is prescribed by law. Therefore, the language is convoluted. This proposed move to a Saturday meeting would afford the opportunity for working people to be able to attend, and would also avail the facilities of the cafeteria for food/drink and classrooms for child-minding. Let us know what you think by using your right to vote!

As a joint collaboration of the Eastman Board of Directors and Board of Selectmen, the Deregulation Committee was formed. Electrical Deregulation will be complicated and it is hoped Grantham citizens will avail themselves of the committee's collective knowledge. Stay tuned; the committee will try to keep you informed as the law unfolds.

It has been a rewarding year for your board thanks to the many dedicated volunteers who help to run this town. Not only are they highly valued, but they also bring with them all the qualities of decency, kindness, and humor to keep us all sane.

We thanked the Speiss's for their gift. We take this time to think of Jack & Mathilde English who bequeathed money to set up an educational scholarship fund for Grantham's outstanding scholars of the future. We thank Jeff Figley for the trophy case now standing in the gymnasium foyer and Sugar River Savings Bank for a matching money gift for the purchase of an electronic scoreboard.

In closing we say to you all — come and be a part of your community no matter how large or small your contribution of self for —

"It is better to be making the news rather than taking it; to be an actor rather than a critic."

— Winston Churchill

Respectfully submitted,

Myron Cummings
William Hutchins
Alden H. Pillsbury

Grantham Board of Selectmen
January 7, 1998





1997 AUDIT REPORT



**INDEPENDENT AUDITORS' REPORT:
1996 REPORTABLE CONDITIONS &
OTHER MATTERS
TO THE MEMBERS OF THE
BOARD OF SELECTMEN**

In planning and performing our audit to the Town of Grantham for the year ended December 31, 1996, we considered the Town's internal control structure in order to determine the scope of our auditing procedures for the purpose of expressing our opinion on the financial statements. Our review of these systems was not intended to provide assurance on the internal control structure and should not be relied on for that purpose.

Under the standards established by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, reportable conditions involve matters coming to our attention relating to significant deficiencies in the design or operation of the internal control structure that, in our judgment, could adversely affect the Town's ability to record, process, summarize, and report financial data consistent with the assertions of management in the financial statements.

A material weakness is a reportable condition in which the design or operation of one or more of the internal control structure elements does not reduce to a relatively low level the risk that errors or irregularities, in amounts that would be material in relation to the financial statements being audited, may occur and not be detected within a timely period by employees in the normal course of performing their assigned functions.

Our consideration of the internal control structure would not necessarily disclose all matters in the internal control structure that might constitute reportable conditions and, accordingly, would not necessarily disclose all reportable conditions that are also considered to be material weaknesses as defined above.

During the course of our review, the following conditions in the Tax Collector's office were noted that were considered to be material weaknesses as defined above:

The office of the Tax Collector is an integral part of the Town's finances in that it is responsible for the largest revenue source to the Town. Because of this fact and the volume of transactions dealt with, it is essential that the books be kept up to date and reconciled at least on a monthly basis.

During the audit of the Tax Collector's records, additional time was expended by both the Tax Collector and Auditors trying to reconcile the Summary of Tax Accounts and Summary of Tax Lien Accounts, Form MS-61, at year end. This was primarily due to the lack of confirming supporting documentation. In addition, the tax lien for 1995 was left off the Summary.

Also, prior year yield taxes were omitted from the beginning balance of the MS-61 form. The Tax Collector believed they had been paid, but was not able to offer substantiation. Therefore, the yield taxes were not taken to tax lien and have been subsequently added back as uncollected items. The Tax Collector should be

very meticulous about documenting all the tax transactions during the year.

Finally, there are uncollected resident taxes on the Tax Collector's MS-61 form that date back to 1992 which cannot be identified and should be abated from the books. The Board of Selectmen are willing to abate these taxes, provided that the Tax Collector provide a listing of the names of those who make up the uncollected amount.

Based upon the above findings, we recommend the following:

1 — The Tax Collector should be reconciling the Form MS-61 at least on a monthly basis and confirming remittance totals with the Town Treasurer. In addition when performing the reconciliation, reports should be run and documents obtained and

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Tax Collector should be

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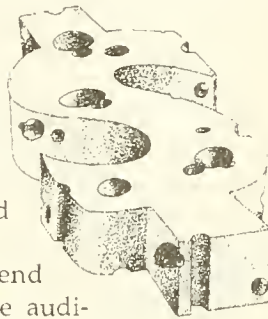
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retained (report of abatements, properly approved abatement slips, uncollected lists, etc.) to substantiate every number on the MS-61 form. By preparing the MS-61 monthly, problems that may arise can be addressed on a timely basis and not allowed to accumulate until year end.

2 — The Tax Collector should consider further software education through additional reading of manuals or training by support personnel.

3 — The Tax Collector should identify all the uncollected resident taxes and provide a listing to the Board of Selectmen so that these taxes can be abated from the books.

4 — We finally recommend quarterly monitoring by the auditors of the Tax Collector's MS-61 form to ensure reconciliations are being performed and State Statutes are being adhered to.



Noncompliance with State Statutes Regarding Tax Lien Procedures — Repeat Comment

During our audit of the Tax Collector's records, we again found the following State Statute had not been complied with:

RSA 80:70 Notice of Redemption — states, "When full redemption is made, the Tax Collector shall within 30 days after redemption notify the Register of Deeds of the act ..."

We recommend that the Notice of Redemption reports be filed with the Register of Deeds on a monthly basis.

Noncompliance with State Administrative Rulings — Repeat Comment

Rev 506.07 Notice of Tax Delinquencies (Arrearages) and Unredeemed Tax Liens (Sales):

Notices were not sent out within the 90 days after the last installment of taxes became delinquent.

The Tax Collector should take the necessary steps to be sure that State Statutes and Rulings are complied with.

Also, the following conditions were noted that we do not consider to be material weaknesses:

TREASURER

Upon review of the Treasurer's records, it was noted that the payroll and vendor manifests are approved on a separate cover sheet. The cover sheets are not numbered nor is the total amount of the approved expenditures recorded on this sheet. If this sheet ever becomes separated from the manifests, it would be impossible to determine which manifests had been approved.

It is recommended that the cover sheet be eliminated by having the Board of Selectmen sign only the manifests.

TRANSFER STATION REVENUES

During the examination of the internal controls over the collection of residential, commercial, and demolition dump revenue, the following was noted:

1 — Revenue is collected at the Selectmen's office Monday through Friday; however, on the weekends, this revenue is collected at the transfer station. During the weekend, cash is often collected and submitted to the Town's bookkeeper at the beginning of each week. However, when cash is collected, the attendant does not keep records to show from whom the money was collected.

2 — When money is collected for the dump revenue at the Selectmen's office, it is manually posted on a "List of Property Owners" ledger, but often the date paid and type of payment received is not recorded.

In order to strengthen the Town's internal controls over collections and recordkeeping, we recommend the following:

1 — Money from any type of revenue source should be collected at one central location, preferably by the Tax Collector. If the Tax Collector collected all revenue, she could post it to the computer system when received. By having a central point of collection, the Town ensures that money held by the other Town departments for deposit is properly safeguarded from potential theft and will be deposited on a timely basis.

2 — When payment is received for any type of rev-

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enue, it should be properly recorded by noting the date of receipt and the type of payment received. Also, if cash is collected, a receipt should be provided with the payer's name properly noted so that if a refund is required, there is proper documentation to support it.

PURCHASE ORDERS

The review of the internal controls over expenditures revealed that the Town's purchasing policy was not being properly followed. Purchase orders for items over \$100 are not being consistently used

by department heads.

We recommend that the purchase order policy be adopted by all department heads and properly used.

This report is intended solely for the information and use of management and others within the administration. This restriction is not intended to limit distribution of this report, which is a matter of public record.

June 13, 1997

— Plodzik & Sanderson





TOWN OF GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE



TOWN MEETING WARRANT MARCH 10, 1998

SS. STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

To the inhabitants of the Town of Grantham, in Sullivan County, in the State of New Hampshire, who are qualified to vote in town affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building (Gymnasium) in Grantham on Tuesday, the tenth of March next, at 10:00 o'clock in the forenoon to act upon the following subjects. Articles 1, 2 and 3 shall be by ballot at the polls which shall be open to at least 7:00 P.M. The remainder shall be considered at the business meeting.

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated

Moderator	2 years
Selectman	3 years
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	3 years
Cemetery Trustee	3 years
Library Trustee	1 year
Library Trustee	2 years
Library Trustee	3 years
Planning Board	3 years
Planning Board	3 years
Trustee of Trust Funds	3 years
Supervisors of the Checklist	6 years

ARTICLE 2: "Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendments to the existing Grantham Zoning Ordinance as pro-

posed by the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board?"

A. AMEND ARTICLE III B ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS — BUSINESS DISTRICT — PERMITTED USES #7 and BUSINESS LIGHT/INDUSTRIAL PERMITTED USES #8 by deleting "Indoor and Outdoor Racquet Sports Facilities" and inserting "Indoor and Outdoor sports facilities including soccer, basketball, hockey, baseball, golf, hiking trails for foot traffic only, and racquet sports". All accessory buildings to such facilities shall require Special Exception(s).

Rationale: The new terminology expands the use to include the sports as cited rather than limiting the sport use to just racquet facilities.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board.

B. AMEND ARTICLE III B ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS — BUSINESS DISTRICT AND BUSINESS/LIGHT INDUSTRIAL DISTRICT by adding to the Permitted Uses sections "Farm and Craft Stands" under those section(s) that require Special Exceptions.

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Rationale: The expansion to the "Permitted Use(s)" section under the Special Exception Clause allows for our local farmers to display and retail their homegrown and handmade goods in the commercially visible sections of Grantham. By adding the amendment to the Special Exception Clause ensures that appropriate planning controls in terms of safety issues, health issues and neighborhood issues are adequately addressed.

Recommended by Board of Selectmen and Planning Board.

C. AMEND ARTICLE III B ZONING DISTRICT REGULATIONS — 3. RURAL/RESIDENTIAL DISTRICT (a) Permitted Uses #10 (e) by deleting "Outdoor tennis facilities, with necessary support facilities" and inserting the following amendment "Outdoor tennis, soccer, baseball, softball, football, lacrosse, basketball and field hockey facilities, with necessary support facilities."

Rationale: The additional language allows for the cited recreational uses and fields without detracting from the rural spirit and intent. As the town's population increases, there appears to be a need to provide in the town's zoning the ability to support the aforesaid type of activities which meet both the spirit and intent of the Zoning Ordinance and Masterplan.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen and Planning Board.

ARTICLE 3: "Do you approve of having two (2) sessions for the annual Town Meeting, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot, and the second session, (the deliberative/business session) on a date set by the Selectmen for the transaction of other business."

Rationale: This article, which is prescribed by law, basically provides the mechanism for the Board of Selectmen to move Town Meeting to a Saturday, if so approved. The moderator and the board want to not only be able to provide for the widest participation possible, but to have facilities available for food, refreshments and baby-sitting which changing to a Saturday meeting would be providable because the school would not be in session. Further parking facilities would be free of school employees and parents' vehicles. Elections would still have to take place on the prescribed Tuesday by law.

Recommended by the Board of Selectmen.

ARTICLE 4: "To see if the Town will vote to approve and support the hiring of a third full-time Police Officer."

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend support of this article.

ARTICLE 5: "To see if the Town will

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vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$515,645 to defray the cost of General Government operations."

vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$443,201 to defray the cost of Public Works Operations."

	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Executive	80,546	144,253
Election & Registration	35,750	63,175
Financial Administration	28,499	46,003
Assessing/Tax Maps	1,550	10,000
Legal	25,000	25,000
Personnel Administration	63,865	132,616
Planning Board/Zoning Board	4,315	5,272
General Govt. Buildings	49,630	56,816
Cemeteries	9,550	9,200
Insurance	25,000	22,150
Regional Associations	1,160	1,160
TOTAL	\$324,865	\$515,645

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Highway Administration	149,343	249,314
Street Lights	9,221	3,960
Solid Waste Collections	51,418	81,377
Waste Disposal	75,000	85,750
Landfill Closure	7,000	12,800
Bridges (Engineering)	0	10,000
TOTAL	\$291,982	\$443,201

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 8: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$12,435 to defray the cost of Health and Welfare Operations."

ARTICLE 6: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$299,922 to defray the cost of Public Safety Operations."

	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Police Department	125,455	213,520
FAST Squad	18,890	22,887
Fire Department	51,466	63,140
Forest Fire Protection	250	375
TOTAL	\$196,061	\$299,922

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Boarding Animals	350	600
Lake Sunapee Visiting Nurse Assn.	3,339	5,085
Meals on Wheels	500	750
Kearsarge Council on Aging	500	500
Southwestern Comm. Action	500	500
Town Welfare Administration	2,500	5,000
TOTAL	\$7,689	\$12,435

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 9: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for Culture and Recreation."

ARTICLE 7: "To see if the Town will

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	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Parks and Recreation	2,000	4,000
Dunbar Free Library	56,285	93,480
Town Archives	500	750
Old Home Day	1,500	1,500
TOTAL	\$60,285	\$99,730

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.

ARTICLE 10: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for Conservation and Tax Anticipation Notes."

	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Conservation Administration	500	750
Tax Anticipation Notes	100	100
TOTAL	\$600	\$850

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this appropriation.



NOTES

ARTICLE 11: "To see if the Town will vote to authorize the Selectmen to enter into a lease agreement for the purpose of leasing a police vehicle for the Police Department and to raise and appropriate the sum of \$14,332 for the first 15-month payment for that purpose."

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 12: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate (i) \$53,754 for the purchase of a backhoe for the Public Works Department, and (ii) authorize the use/transfer of \$31,500 of the December 31, 1997 fund balance in aforementioned amount for this purpose.

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 13: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate (i) \$6,495 for the purchase of a copier machine for the Town Offices and (ii) authorize the use/transfer of \$6,495 of the December 31, 1997 fund balance in aforementioned amount for this purpose."

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

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ARTICLE 14: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate (i) \$12,000 for the purpose of acquiring a second hand grader for the Public Works Department, (ii) authorize the use/transfer of \$12,000 of the December 31, 1997 fund balance in aforementioned amount for this purpose and (iii) to see if the Town will vote to make this a non-lapsing fund as per RSA 32:7 VI that will continue until expended or June 30, 2001 whichever occurs first."

(Majority vote required)

(Special

Warrant Article)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 15: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate (i) \$21,600 for a tractor mower and snowblower, (ii) authorize the withdrawal of \$5,000 from the Mower Capital Reserve to defray the cost and (iii) authorize the use/transfer of \$16,600 of the December 31, 1997 fund balance in aforementioned amount for this purpose."

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 16: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 for the purposes of removal of the underground 4,000-gallon oil tank located at the Fire House and to purchase and install new oil tanks."

(Majority vote required)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 17: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate (i) \$13,436 for the purchase of generators, and (ii) to see if the Town will vote to make this a non-lapsing fund as per RSA 32:7 VI that will continue until expended or June 30, 2000."

(Majority vote required)

(Special

Warrant Article)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 18: "To see if the Town will vote to (i) establish a Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purposes of acquiring a new radio console and accessories for the Police Department, (ii) to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be placed in this fund and (iii) to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend."

(Majority vote required)

(Special Warrant Article)

The Board of Selectmen recommend this article.

ARTICLE 19: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds as follows:

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	\$ in 1997	\$ in 1998/99
Fire Department Capital Reserve	37,500	37,500
Gym Floor Sanding/Renovation Capital Reserve	5,000	7,500
Village School Road/Car Lot Paving Res.	10,000	15,000
Road Truck Reserve	0	5,000
Computer Non-Capital Reserve	2,000	1,000
Mowers Capital Reserve	1,500	1,500
TOTAL	\$56,000	\$67,500

(Majority vote required)
(Special Warrant Article)

*The Board of Selectmen recommend
this article*

ARTICLE 20: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of (i) \$35,000 to be added to the previously established Phase II Addition of the Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund and (ii) to designate the Library Trustees as agents to expend."

(Majority vote required)
(Special Warrant Article).

*The Board of Selectmen recommend
this article.*

ARTICLE 21: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,066 to add to the Phase II Addition of the Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund (previously established) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the gift \$1,066 from the Library Trustees for such purposes.

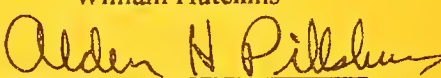
(Majority vote required)
(Special Warrant Article)

*The Board of Selectmen recommend
this article.*

ARTICLE 22: "To hear the reports of agents, officers and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote relating thereto and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting."

Given under our hands and seal this ____
th day of February, in the year of our Lord,
nineteen hundred and ninety-eight.


Myron Cummings

William Hutchins

Alden H. Pillsbury





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CERTIFICATE OF POSTING

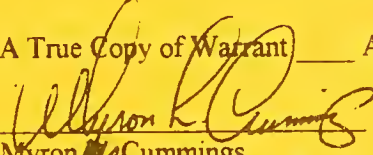
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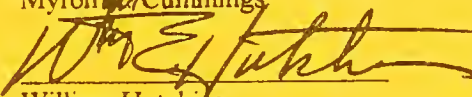
We hereby certify that on the ____th day of February, 1998, we posted an attested copy of the within Warrant at the place of meeting within named, and posted a like copy at:

TOWN OFFICES
DUNBAR LIBRARY
GRANTHAM POST OFFICE
LAKE SUNAPEE SAVINGS BANK
BULLETIN BOARD

being public places in said town, on the ____th day of February, 1998.

A True Copy of Warrant ____ Attest


Myron H. Cummings


William Hutchins


Alden H. Pillsbury

Board of Selectmen
Grantham, New Hampshire

**DID YOU FORGET
TO BRING YOUR
KNITTING TO THE
MEETING?**

TRY THIS MAZE.





TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 1997



PROPOSED TOWN BUDGET



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
61 So.Spring St., P.O.Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
(603) 271-3397

MS-6



BUDGET OF THE TOWN

OF GRANTHAM N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Ensuing Year January 1, _____ to December 31, _____ or
for Fiscal Year From

JANUARY 1, 1998 to JUNE 30, 1999

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 32:5 applicable to all municipalities.

1. Use this form to list the entire budget in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.
2. Hold at least one public hearing on this budget.
3. When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the town clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

Date 2/12/98

[Signature]
[Signature]
Alden H. Pillsbury

SELECTMEN (PLEASE SIGN IN INK)

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE TOWN WARRANT



TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 1997



Budget - Town of GRANTHAM, NH

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENDING FISCAL YR. (RECOMMENDED)	APPROP. ENDING FISCAL YR. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
GENERAL GOVERNMENT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4130-4139	Executive	5	80,546	80,410	144,253	
4140-4149	Election, Reg. & Vital Statistics	5	35,750	28,424	63,175	
4150-4151	Financial Administration	5	28,499	30,880	46,003	
4152	Revelution of Property	5	1,550	1,795	10,000	
4153	Legal Expense	5	25,000	12,897	25,000	
4155-4159	Personnel Administration	5	63,865	64,566	132,616	
4191-4193	Planning & Zoning	5	4,315	2,404	5,272	
4194	General Government Buildings	5	49,630	52,711	56,816	
4195	Cemeteries	5	9,550	7,848	9,200	
4196	Insurance	5	25,000	22,150	22,150	
4197	Advertising & Regional Assoc.	5	1,160	1,160	1,160	
4199	Other General Government					
PUBLIC SAFETY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4210-4214	Police	6	125,455	128,031	213,520	
4215-4219	Ambulance /FAST SQUAD	6	18,890	14,485	22,887	
4220-4229	Fire /FOREST FIRE	6	51,716	44,479	63,515	
4240-4249	Building Inspection					
4290-4299	Emergency Management					
4299	Other Public Safety (including Communications)					
AIRPORT/AVIATION CENTER			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4301-4309	Airport Operations					
HIGHWAYS & STREETS			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4311	Administration	7	149,343	152,982	249,314	
4311-4312	Admin., Highways & Streets					
4313	Bridges	7	-0-	-0-	10,000	
4316	Street Lighting	7	9,221	7,250	3,960	
4319	Other					
SANITATION			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4321-4323	Admin. & Solid Waste Collection	7	51,418	50,415	81,377	
4324	Solid Waste Disposal	7	75,000	76,258	85,750	
4325	Solid Waste Clean-up	7	7,000	6,632	12,800	





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Acct.#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YR. (RECOMMENDED)	APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YR. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4326-4329	Sewage Collection & Disposal & Other					
	WATER DISTRIBUTION & TREATMENT		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4331-4332	Admin. and Water Services					
4335-4339	Water Treatment, Conservation & Other					
	ELECTRIC		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4351-4352	Admin. and Generation					
4353	Purchase Costs					
4354	Electric Equipment Maintenance					
4359	Other Electric Costs					
	HEALTH		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4411-4414	Admin. and Pest Control	8	350	552	600	
4415-4419	Health Agencies & Hospitals & Other	8	5,839	4,839	6,835	
	WELFARE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4441-4442	Administration & Direct Assistance	8	2,500	4,706	5,000	
4444	Intergovernmental Welfare Payments					
4445-4449	Vendor Payments & Other					
	CULTURE & RECREATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4520-4529	Parks & Recreation	9	2,000	2,065	4,000	
4550-4559	Library	9	56,285	56,285	93,480	
4583	Patriotic Purposes/OLD HOME DAY	9	1,500	1,035	1,500	
4589	Other Culture & Recreation	9	500	372	750	
	CONSERVATION		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4611-4612	Administration & Purchases of Natural Resources	10	500	908	750	
4619	Other Conservation					
4631-4632	REDEVELOPMENT & HOUSING					
4651-4659	ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT					
	DEBT SERVICE		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4711	Princ.- Long term Bonds & Notes					
4721	Interest-Long term Bonds & Notes					
4723	Interest on TMSs	10	100	-0-	100	





TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE 1997



Budget - Town of GRANTHAM, NH

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Aoot. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 3213.V)	Warr Art #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	Actual Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YR. (RECOMMENDED)	APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YR. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4790-4799	Other Debt Service					
CAPITAL OUTLAY			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4901	Land		61,000	21,806	-0-	
4902	Machinery, Vehicles & Equipment		43,892	38,275	131,617	
4903	Buildings					
4909	Improvements Other Than Buildings					
OPERATING TRANSFERS OUT			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
4912	To Special Revenue Fund					
4913	To Capital Projects Fund					
4914	To Enterprise Fund					
	Sewer-					
	Water-					
	Electric-					
	Airport-					
4915	To Capital Reserve Fund		82,231	82,441	108,566	
4916	To Expendable Trust Funds (except Health Maintenance Trust Fund)		15,000	15,000	-0-	
4917	To Health Maintenance Trust Fund					
4918	To Nonexpendable Trust Funds					
4919	To Agency Funds					
SUBTOTAL 1			1,084,605	1,014,061	1,611,966	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Aoot. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount	Aoot. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount
4902	11	14,332	4902	17	13,436
4902	12	53,754	4915	18	5,000
4902	13	6,495	4915	19	67,500
4902	14	12,000	4915	20	35,000
4902	15	21,600	4915	21	1,066
4902	16	10,000			





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SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriating to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

Acct#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art#	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DEA	Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YR. (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4902	Nonlapsing Warrant Art.	14			12,000	
4902	Nonlapsing Warrant Art.	17			13,436	
4915	CRF	18			5,000	
4915	CRF	19			67,500	
4915	CRF	20			35,000	
4915	CRF	21			1,066	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	134,002	XXXXXXXXXX

INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". An example of an individual warrant article might be negotiated cost items for labor agreements or items of a one time nature you wish to address individually.

Acct#	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,VI)	Warr Art #	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DEA	Expenditures Prior Year	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROP. ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
4902	Cruiser Lease	11	7,064	7,394	14,332	
4902	Oil Tank Removal&Purchase	16	-0-	-0-	10,000	
4902	Tractor Acquisition	15	-0-	-0-	21,600	
4902	Backhoe Acquisition	12	-0-	-0-	53,754	
4902	Cooper Acquisition	13	-0-	-0-	6,495	
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	106,181	XXXXXXXXXX





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Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art. #	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	ESTIMATED REVENUE Resuing Year
TAXES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3120	Land Use Change Taxes				
3180	Resident Taxes				
3185	Field Taxes		11,560	13,429	5,000
3196	Payment in Lieu of Taxes				
3199	Other Taxes				
3190	Interest & Penalties on Delinquent Taxes		4,600	5,943	3,000
	Inventory Penalties				
LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3210	Business Licenses & Permits		500	521	500
3220	Motor Vehicle Permit Fees		270,000	351,594	375,000
3230	Building Permits		1,000	1,162	1,000
3290	Other Licenses, Permits & Fees		5,000	5,902	5,000
3311-3318	FROM FEDERAL GOVERNMENT				
FROM STATE			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3351	Shared Revenues		19,325	34,507	34,507
3352	Meals & Rooms Tax Distribution				
3353	Highway Block Grant		34,333	34,333	34,333
3354	Water Pollution Grant				
3355	Housing & Community Development				
3356	State & Federal Forest Land Reimbursement				
3357	Flood Control Reimbursement				
3359	Other (Including Railroad Tax)		-0-	450	200
3378	FROM OTHER GOVERNMENTS				
CHARGES FOR SERVICES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3401-3406	Income from Departments		4,000	5,691	5,000
3409	Other Charges ^{Transfer Station Fees} C & D Debris		25,000	29,792	30,000
MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3501	Sale of Municipal Property		44,657	44,361	33,000
3502	Interest on Investments		40,000	56,615	55,000
3503-3509	Other		40,000	40,520	36,442





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Acct.#	SOURCE OF REVENUE	Warr. Art.#	Estimated Revenue Prior Year	Actual Revenue Prior Year	Estimated Revenue Ensuing Year
INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3912	From Special Revenue Funds				
3913	From Capital Projects Funds				
3914	From Enterprise Funds				
	Sewer - (Offset)				
	Water - (Offset)				
	Electric - (Offset)				
	Airport - (Offset)				
3915	From Capital Reserve Funds	15	24,528	24,791	5,000
3916	From Trust & Agency Funds				
OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
3934	Proc. from Long Term Bonds & Notes				
Amounts VOTED From Fund Balance ("Surplus")		12, 13, Articles 14, 15	-0-	-0-	66,595
Fund Balance ("Surplus") to Reduce Taxes			75,000	75,000	100,000
TOTAL REVENUES & CREDITS			599,503	724,611	789,577

BUDGET SUMMARY

SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 3)	1,611,966
SUBTOTAL 2 Special warrant articles Recommended (from page 4)	Included in Subtotal 1
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" warrant articles Recommended (from page 4)	Included in Subtotal 1
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	1,611,966
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	789,577
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised	822,389

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CAN YOU DIG IT? THE BIG DIG!



Planning

Metrics

Patience

Curiosity

Teamwork

History

Science

Community

Industry

Hard Work

Record
Keeping



THE 1997

ARCHEOLOGICAL DIG AT THE FOWLER'S MILL SITE ON ROUTE 10

Archeologist Gordon Crandall (left) of Newfane, Vermont, was available for a two-week dig with 3rd & 4th Grade students, and parent volunteers. At left, he helps mark a measured square. Below, Michael Hastings cleans out a screen used to filter buckets of dirt, part of the discovery.



Photos: Allen Walker & Lucy Wells



IT'S A DIRTY JOB, BUT ...

Matt Daigle,
Cameron Shepherd,
and Kristian
McPherson got to
do it, carefully, with
trowels.





CAN YOU DIG IT? THE BIG DIG!



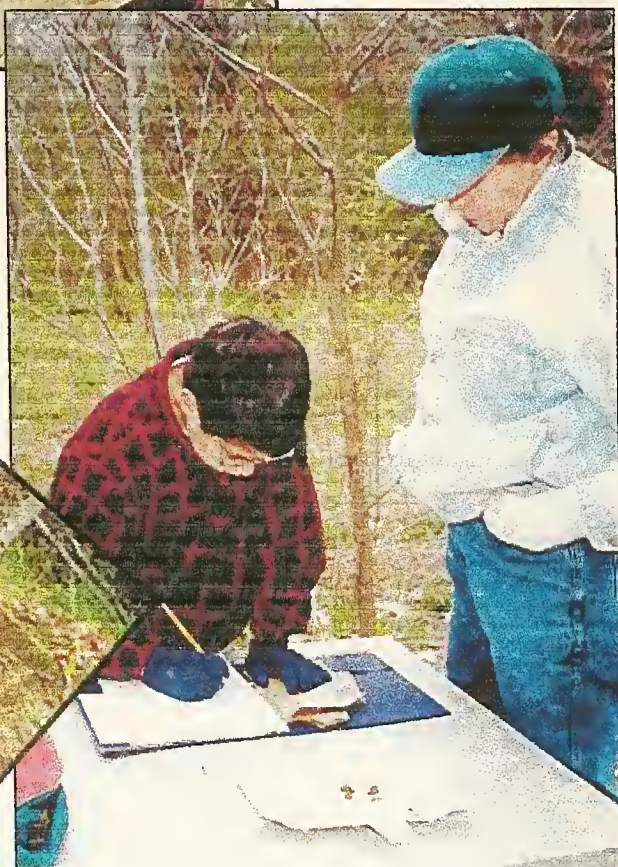
SORTING ...

Kristian McPherson and Bridget Fisher (at left) examine for clues to another time, long-buried treasures sifted from layers of dirt.

Below, volunteer Paula Dorr watches as Sam Dorr records the location and type of artifacts he found.

HOW BIG IS A SQUARE · METER?

Austin Clary finds out how much boy will fit into his research space.



Photos:

Nan Parsons,
Allen Walker,
& Lucy Wells





EXPENDITURES



EXECUTIVE

Full Time Salaries	37,954.86
Part Time Salaries	4,790.00
Telephone	2,453.89
Computer Services	2,545.00
Registry Recording	182.50
Travel	88.32
Training	320.24
Printing	10,600.59
Advertising	2,225.70
Memberships	1,217.23
Office Supplies	3,707.97
Copier Supplies and Service	2,439.24
Postage	5,839.21
Subscriptions and Reference	438.17
Other Miscellaneous Supplies	631.69
Office Equipment and Computer	4,975.40

TOTAL EXECUTIVE

80,410.01

TOWN CLERK AND ELECTION EXPENSE

Full Time Salaries	17,611.24
Part Time Hourly	3,753.66
Computer Services Contract	2,679.00
Registry Recording	452.24
Travel	385.71
Training	483.08
Advertising	70.61
Memberships	35.00
Election Supplies	414.87
Subscriptions & Reference	107.75
Dog Tags	119.30
Town Report Binding	922.00
NH Fees	1,390.00

TOTAL TOWN CLERK AND ELECTION EXPENSE

28,424.46

FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

Part Time Salaries	4,635.13
Full Time Hourly	18,238.21
Accounting Overtime	2,311.51
Auditing	5,695.00

TOTAL FINANCIAL ADMINISTRATION

30,879.85

ENGINEERING - TAX MAPS

Engineering - Tax Maps	1,180.00
Assessing Services	615.00

TOTAL ENGINEERING - TAX MAPS

1,795.00





EXPENDITURES



LEGAL SERVICES

Legal Services 12,896.97

TOTAL LEGAL SERVICES

12,896.97

EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

Health Benefits 23,983.74

Life and Disability 237.00

NH Retirement 4,922.21

NH Police Retirement 2,171.44

ICMA Retirement 729.96

Workman's Comp. 14,261.00

Employer FICA 13,954.32

Employer Medicare 4,306.53

TOTAL EMPLOYEE BENEFITS

64,566.20

PLANNING

Part Time Hourly 1,052.25

Registry Recording 16.50

Advertising 460.15

Subscriptions and Reference 85.00

TOTAL PLANNING

1,613.90

ZONING

Part Time Hourly 374.18

Travel 51.75

Training 15.00

Advertising 218.55

Subscriptions and Reference 50.00

TOTAL ZONING

709.48

GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS

Part Time Hourly 1,017.63

Vehicle and Equipment Repair 199.76

Heat 503.22

Furnace/Boiler Maintenance & Tasco Alarm 2,910.40

Travel 491.74

Gasoline and Diesel Fuel 443.20

Custodial Supplies 2,946.47

Other Misc. Supplies 262.72

Other Improvements 374.00

Municipal Gymnasium Building

Telephone 600.07

Other Professional Services 3,553.80

Electricity 5,525.42

Repairs and Maintenance 5,728.63

Other Services 581.79

Groundskeeping Supplies 178.43





EXPENDITURES



Other Misc. Supplies	52.19	
Other Capital	1,650.00	
Town Hall		
Electricity	2,392.48	
Heat Gas and Oil	1,585.46	
Repairs and Maintenance	3,732.84	
Alarm Services	300.00	
Other Capital	3,903.00	
Town Office Building		
Electricity	2,473.91	
Heat - Gas and Oil	602.83	
Repairs and Maintenance	700.70	
General Supplies	549.12	
Other Improvements	9,451.29	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT BUILDINGS		52,711.10
CEMETERIES		
Part Time Salaries	75.00	
Part Time Hourly	344.05	
Vehicle and Equipment Repair	49.76	
Other Professional Services	6,901.00	
General Supplies	206.80	
Gasoline and Diesel Fuel	24.96	
Groundskeeping Supplies	246.74	
TOTAL CEMETERIES		7,848.31
GENERAL INSURANCE		
General Insurance	22,150.00	
TOTAL GENERAL INSURANCE		22,150.00
UVREGPLAN		
UV Reg Plan Com/Solid Waste District	1,160.00	
TOTAL UVREGPLAN		1,160.00
POLICE DEPARTMENT		
Full Time Salaries	36,382.68	
Full Time Hourly	30,675.32	
Part Time Hourly - Specials	17,575.00	
Overtime	4,855.01	
Secretary	1,442.00	
Witness Fees	120.00	
Telephone	4,013.16	
Computer Services	400.00	
Dispatch	12,695.57	
Photo Lab	356.06	
Vehicle and Equipment Repair	1,251.97	
Radio Repair	2,821.06	





EXPENDITURES



Training	2,834.31
Advertising	242.94
Memberships	150.00
Misc. Purchased Services	703.23
Office Supplies	593.28
Postage	13.00
Maintenance and Repair Supplies	537.33
Tires	327.10
Gasoline and Diesel Fuel	2,557.36
Subscriptions and Reference	2,047.19
Uniforms / Safety Equipment	1,303.78
Other Misc. Supplies	350.72
Office Equip. and Computers	1,969.74
Furniture and Fixtures	1,813.29

TOTAL POLICE DEPARTMENT

128,031.10

FAST SQUAD

Part Time Salaries	1,662.96
Medical Services	582.71
Radio Repair	519.00
Training	999.00
Uniforms/Safety Equipment	212.97
Other Misc. Supplies	135.60
Machinery and Equip. Radios	3,248.00
Newport Ambulance	7,125.04

TOTAL FAST SQUAD

14,485.28

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Part Time Salaries	8,217.05
Telephone	506.50
Dispatch	1,487.20
Vehicle and Equipment Repair	7,083.73
Radio Repair	878.00
Other Professional Services	175.00
Electricity	1,980.77
Repairs and Maintenance	1,062.62
Training	1,163.20
Advertising	52.50
Memberships	550.00
Office Supplies	47.66
Postage	12.00
Maintenance and Repair Supplies	1,982.05
Gasoline and Diesel Fuel	251.11
Custodial Supplies	10.99
Subscriptions and Reference	239.40



EXPENDITURES



Other Misc. Supplies	20.62	
Other Improvements	761.51	
Machinery and Equipment	9.99	
Office Equipment/Computers	148.74	
Other Capital	17,830.43	
TOTAL FIRE DEPARTMENT		44,471.07
FOREST FIRE		
Forest Fire	7.95	
TOTAL FOREST FIRE		7.95
PUBLIC WORKS		
Full Time Hourly	50,884.80	
Part Time Hourly	93.50	
Overtime	7,462.76	
Telephone	509.11	
Vehicle and Equip. Repair	7,478.73	
Paving	32,014.03	
Electricity	748.44	
Heat - Gas and Oil	578.85	
Repairs and Maintenance	195.27	
Rentals and Leases	5,887.50	
Travel	51.90	
Training	95.00	
Memberships	61.20	
General Supplies - Seed	268.51	
Maintenance and Repair Supplies	4,389.74	
Gasoline and Diesel Fuel	3,029.58	
Custodial Supplies	59.99	
Uniforms / Safety Equipment	1,173.80	
Sand and Gravel	12,170.74	
Salt and Winter Sand	21,237.68	
Bituminous Products	95.05	
Culverts	1,495.89	
Chemicals	1,990.63	
Signs	347.85	
Bridge and Guardrails	562.50	
Other Misc. Supplies	99.00	
TOTAL PUBLIC WORKS		152,982.05
STREET LIGHTS		
Street Lights	7,250.54	
TOTAL STREET LIGHTS		7,250.54
SOLID WASTE DEPARTMENT		
Part Time Hourly	16,842.05	
Telephone	330.53	





EXPENDITURES



Electricity	786.76	
Waste Trucking	13,396.39	
Recycling Trucking	13,054.29	
Rents and Leases	3,468.00	
Training	100.00	
Memberships	244.63	
Maintenance and Repair Supplies	1,023.50	
Uniforms / Safety Equipment	855.45	
Sand and Gravel	313.67	
TOTAL WASTE DEPARTMENT		50,415.27
WASTE DISPOSAL		
Waste Disposal	65,434.80	
Waste Disposal / Landfill	10,823.62	
TOTAL WASTE DISPOSAL		76,258.42
LANDFILL CLOSE AND MONITORING WELL		
Landfill Close and Monitoring Well	6,632.08	
TOTAL LANDFILL CLOSE AND MONITORING WELL		6,632.08
ANIMAL CONTROL		
Boarding Animals	552.00	
TOTAL ANIMAL CONTROL		552.00
HEALTH SERVICES		
Lake Sunapee Home Health	3,339.00	
Meals on Wheels	500.00	
Kearsarge Area Council On Aging 93/15	500.00	
So. Western Community Action	500.00	
TOTAL HEALTH SERVICES		4,839.00
GENERAL ASSISTANCE		
General Assistance	4,706.44	
TOTAL GENERAL ASSISTANCE		4,706.44
RECREATION		
Recreation	2,065.15	
TOTAL RECREATION		2,065.15
DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY		
Part Time Hourly	29,468.71	
Telephone	544.97	
Computer Service	754.00	
Other Professional Services	660.00	
Electricity	891.70	
Heat	1,056.30	
Repairs and Maintenance	858.64	
Travel	335.85	
Training	339.34	
Advertising/Special Program	475.50	





EXPENDITURES



Memberships	60.00	
Library Trustees	50.00	
Office Supplies	1,137.87	
Copier Supplies / Service	557.53	
Postage	96.96	
Subscriptions and Reference	13,244.49	
Office Equipment / Computer	446.88	
Furniture / Fixtures	4,240.00	
Library Surplus	1,066.26	
TOTAL DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY		56,285.00
OLD HOME DAY		
Old Home Day	1,035.90	
TOTAL OLD HOME DAY		1,035.90
TOWN ARCHIVES		
Town Archives	372.17	
TOTAL TOWN ARCHIVES		372.17
CONSERVATION COMMISSION		
Conservation Commission	908.18	
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION		908.18
CAPITAL OUTLAY - LAND		
Town Hall Car Lot Improvements	8,445.87	
School Car Lot Improvements	10,245.66	
Construction of Recreational Fields	3,115.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY - LAND		21,806.53
CAPITAL OUTLAY - EQUIPMENT		
Police Cruiser Lease	7,394.26	
Ford One Ton Truck and Body	29,385.92	
Vote Counting Machine	1,495.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY - EQUIPMENT		38,275.18
CAPITAL OUTLAY - IMPROVEMENTS		
Revaluation	100.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY - IMPROVEMENTS		100.00
TRANSFERS TO RESERVE FUNDS		
Gymnasium Floor Sanding and Renovator	5,000.00	
Village School Car Lot Paving	10,000.00	
Computer Reserve 93/7	2,210.00	
Fire Truck Reserve	37,500.00	
Library II Reserve 93/16	26,230.50	
Mowers	1,500.00	
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO RESERVE FUNDS		82,440.50
TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUNDS		
Town Buildings Emergency Repair	15,000.00	
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUNDS		15,000.00





EXPENDITURES



OTHER PAYMENTS

Sullivan County Assessment	715,868.00
Village Water District	210,856.00
Grantham School FY 96/97	1,848,545.04
Grantham School FY 97/98	1,108,511.25
Prior Year Encumbrances	75,303.68

TOTAL OTHER PAYMENTS

3,959,083.97

TOTAL EXPENDITURES

4,973,169.06



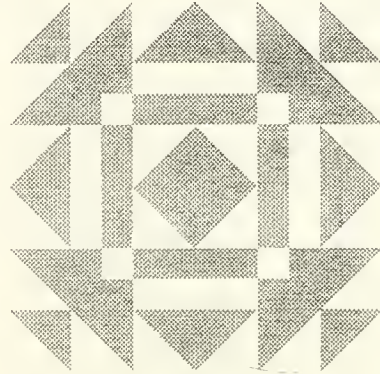
EMT & FAST Squad member Jay Fountain and Deputy Fire Chief James Mutney participated in the area Health Services Fair on the Newport Common.

**COMPENSATION: TOWN POSITIONS****1997 COMPENSATION SCHEDULE****SALARIED**

	\$
Town Administrator	36,320.00
Police Chief	36,733.00
Town Clerk/Tax Collector	20,015.00

HOURLY

	\$
Secretary/Bookkeeper @ \$ 9.54	17,859.00
Police Sergeant @ \$14.42	29,994.00
Road Agent @ \$13.63	28,350.00
Custodian/Road Agent @ \$10.60	22,048.00

**PART-TIME HOURLY**

	\$
Deputy Town Clerk/Tax Coll.	\$ 9.45
Planning Board Secretary	\$ 8.50
Zoning Board Secretary	\$ 9.54
Police Specials	\$ 9.50
Police Secretary	\$ 7.50
Transfer Station Att. (1)	\$10.45
Transfer Station Att. (2)	\$ 8.50
Librarian	\$ 12.11
Library Assistant	\$ 10.24
Firefighters	\$ 6.18
Supervisors of the Checklist	\$ 5.15

ANNUAL STIPENDS

	\$
Selectman	1,555
Moderator	125
Fire Chief	1,100
Deputy Fire Chief	825
Training Officer (FD)	220
Secretary (FD)	275
FAST Coordinator	300
FAST Assistant	200
Treasurer & Deputy	3,000





SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS



GENERAL GOVERNMENT

Executive Office	80,410.01	
Election, Registration & Vital Statistics	28,424.46	
Financial Administration	30,879.85	
Engineering - Tax Maps	1,180.00	
Property Appraisal	615.00	
Legal Expense	12,896.97	
Personnel Administration	64,566.20	
Planning	1,613.90	
Zoning	709.48	
General Government Buildings	52,711.10	
Cemeteries	7,848.31	
Insurance	22,150.00	
Regional Associations	1,160.00	
TOTAL GENERAL GOVERNMENT		305,165.28

PUBLIC SAFETY

Police Department	128,031.10	
Ambulance/F.A.S.T. Squad	14,485.28	
Fire Department	44,471.07	
Forest Fire	7.95	
TOTAL PUBLIC SAFETY		186,995.40

HIGHWAYS & STREETS

Highway Department	152,982.05	
Street Lighting	7,250.54	
TOTAL HIGHWAY		160,232.59

SANITATION

Solid Waste	50,415.27	
Waste Disposal	76,258.42	
Landfill Closing	6,632.08	
TOTAL SANITATION		133,305.77

HEALTH

Animal Control	552.00	
Health Services	4,839.00	
Welfare	4,706.44	
TOTAL HEALTH		10,097.44

CULTURE & RECREATION

Recreation	2,065.15	
Library	56,285.00	





SUMMARY OF PAYMENTS



Old Home Day	1,035.90	
Town Archives	372.17	
TOTAL CULTURE & RECREATION		59,758.22
CONSERVATION		
Conservation Commission	908.18	
TOTAL CONSERVATION COMMISSION		908.18
CAPITAL OUTLAY		
Town Hall Car Lot Improvements	8,445.87	
School Car Lot Improvements	10,245.66	
Construction of Recreational Fields	3,115.00	
Police Cruiser Lease	7,394.26	
Ford One Ton Truck & Body	29,385.92	
Vote Counting Machine	1,495.00	
Revaluation	100.00	
TOTAL CAPITAL OUTLAY - IMPROVEMENTS		60,081.71
TRANSFERS TO CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS		
Gymnasium Floor Sanding and Renovations	5,000.00	
Village School Lot Paving	10,000.00	
Computer Reserve	2,210.00	
Fire Truck Reserve	37,500.00	
Library II Reserve 93/16	26,230.50	
Mowers	1,500.00	
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO RESERVE FUNDS		82,440.50
TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUNDS		
Emergency Fund Town Buildings	15,000.00	
TOTAL TRANSFERS TO TRUST FUNDS		15,000.00
TOTAL BUDGET EXPENDITURES		1,014,085.09
OTHER PAYMENTS		
Sullivan County Assessment	715,868.00	
Village Water District	210,856.00	
Grantham School 96/97	1,848,545.04	
Grathan School 97/98 12/31/97	1,108,511.25	
Prior Year Encumbrances	75,303.68	
TOTAL PAYMENTS TO OTHER GOVERNMENTS		3,959,083.97
(1997 Encumbered = \$39,440)		
TOTAL GENERAL FUND		3,959,083.97



**APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES**

ACCOUNT	BUDGET	EXPENSE	ENCUM.	UNDER	OVER
Town Offices	80,546	80,410		136	
Town Clerk / Tax Collector	35,750	28,424		7,326	
Financial Administration	28,499	30,880			2,381
Tax Maps/Assessing	1,550	1,895			245
Legal	25,000	12,897		12,103	
Personnel Administration	63,865	64,566			701
Planning Board	3,190	1,614		1576	
Zoning Board	1,125	709		416	
General Govenment Bldgs	49,630	52,711			3,081
Cemeteries	9,550	7,848		1,702	
General Insurance	25,000	22,150		2,850	
Regional Associations	1,160	1,160			
Police Department	125,455	128,031			2,576
FAST Squad	18,890	14,485		4,405	
Fire Department	51,466	44,471		6,995	
Forest Fire	250	8		242	
Public Works	149,343	152,982			3,639
Street Lights	9,221	7,250		1,971	
Solid Waste Department	51,418	50,415		1,003	
Solid Waste Disposal	75,000	76,258			1,258
Landfill Closure	7,000	6,632		368	
Boarding Animals	350	552			202
Health Agencies	5,839	4,839		1,000	
Welfare	2,500	4,706			2,206
Recreation	2,000	2,065			65
Dunbar Library	56,285	56,285			
Old Home Day	1,500	1,035		465	
Archives	500	372		128	
Conservation Comm.	500	908			408
Tax Note Interest	100	0		100	
Capital Outlay					
Town Hall Car Lot	18,000	8,445	9,555		
School Car Lot	10,000	10,246			246
Recreation Field	33,000	3,115	29,885		
Police Cruiser Lease	7,064	7,394			330
Ford One Ton Truck	34,828	29,386		5,442	
Voting Machine	2,000	1,495		505	

Capital Reserves



APPROPRIATIONS & EXPENDITURES



Gym Floor	5,000	5,000		
School Paving	10,000	10,000		
Computer Hardware	2,000	2,210		210
Fire Truck	37,500	37,500		
Library Addition	26,231	26,231		
Mowers	1,500	1,500		

Trust Funds				
Town Buildings	15,000	15,000		

TOTALS	1,084,605	1,014,080	39,440	48,733	17,548
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Net Unexpended \$\$\$\$ to General Fund

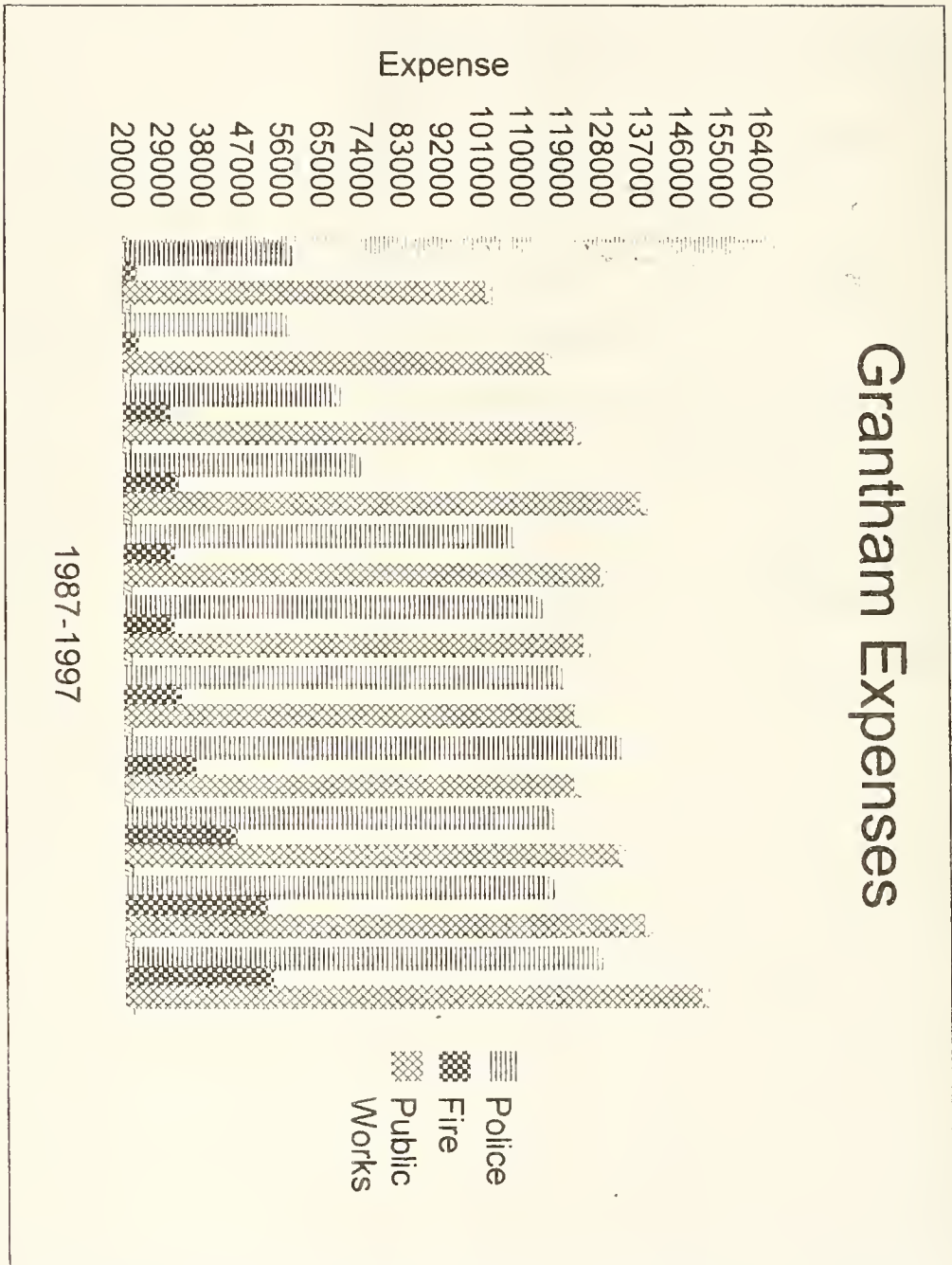
Other Payments

Sullivan County	715,868
Grantham School '97	2,175,283
Tax bought by Town	34,304
Eastman Village District	210,856
Refunds	17,715
Total Other Payments	3,154,026





EXPENSE CHART



**COMPARATIVE STATEMENT: REVENUES**

	ESTIMATED 1997	ACTUAL 1997	ESTIMATED 1998
TAXES			
3120 Land Use Change	0	0	0
3180 Resident Tax	0	0	0
3185 Yield Tax	11,560	13,429	5,000
3190 Interest/Penalties	4,600	5,943	3,000
 LICENSES, PERMITS & FEES			
3210 Business Licenses/Permits	500	521	500
3220 Motor Fees/Agent Fees	270,000	351,594	375,000
3230 Building Permits	1,000	1,162	1,000
3290 Other Licenses/permits	5,000	5,902	5,000
 FROM THE STATE			
3351 Shared Revenue	19,325	34,507	34,507
3353 Highway Block Grant	34,333	34,333	34,333
3359 Other (Witness Fees)	0	450	200
 CHARGES FOR SERVICES			
3401 Income from Departments	4,000	5,691	5,000
3409 Recycling/TS/C&D	25,000	29,792	30,000
 MISCELLANEOUS REVENUES			
3501 Sale of Town Property	44,657	44,361	33,000
3502 Interest on Investments	40,000	56,615	55,000
3503 Rentals	500	421	500
3504 Fines from Court	0	50	0
3505 Insurance (Medical) Reim.	0	2,640	8,942
3506 Ins. Dividends(WC/PLIT)	25,000	17,401	17,000
3509 Reimbursement	14,500	20,008	10,000
 INTERFUND OPERATING TRANSFERS IN			
3915 Capital Reserve Funds	24,528	24,791	5,000
 OTHER FINANCING SOURCES			
Items voted from Surplus	0	0	66,595
Use of unreserved Fund Balance	75,000	75,000	100,000
 TOTALS	599,503	724,611	789,577

**1997 REVENUE SURPLUS**

ACCT #	ACCOUNT TITLE	\$\$\$ SURPLUS	\$\$\$ OVERDRAFT
3185	Yield Tax	1,869	
3190	Interest & Penalties	1,343	
3210	Business Licenses/Permits	21	
3220	Motor Vehicle Fees	81,594	
3230	Building Permits	162	
3290	Other Licences	905	
3351	Shared Revenue	15,182	
3359	Other	450	
3401	Income from Departments	1,691	
3409	Recycling/TS/C & D	4,792	
3501	Sale of Town Property		296
3502	Interest on Investments	16,615	
3503	Rentals		79
3504	Fines from Court	50	
3505	Insurance Reimbursement	2,640	
3506	Insurance Dividend WC, PLIT		7,599
3509	Reimbursement	5,508	
3915	Capital Reserve Funds	263	
TOTALS		133,085	7,974
NET SURPLUS \$\$\$\$\$		<u>125,111</u>	





SCHEDULE OF TOWN PROPERTY



MAP	DESCRIPTION	VALUE	MAP	DESCRIPTION	VALUE
207-5	Corner Al Smith Road	14,300	236-4	Old Mill Lot	17,400
209-1	Wallis Land	43,300	218-2	School Lot/Turnpike	28,000
210-3	Kimball Land	37,000	211-12	Lucuis Smith Lot	25,200
210-4	Wallis Land	500	237-61	Dunbar Hill Cemetery	14,000
210-5	Kimball Land	16,700	207-4	Ella Smith Lot	6,700
210-6	P/O Minister Lot	38,200	243-9	Stoney Brook/Sanborn Hill	9,600
210-7	Wallis Land	25,500	236-4	Old Mill Lot	17,400
210-8	Vette Davis Land	46,000	235-16	Transfer Station	23,900
210-9	P/O Minister Lot	19,400	237-32	Parking Lot/Town Hall, Church	6,800
210-10	Kimball Land	40,000	237-33	Car Lot	13,400
213-53	38 Anderson Pd. Rd.	13,400	TOTAL		\$ 923,000
212-117	28 High Pond Road	8,100			
216-41	Hastings Cemetery	7,800		Municipal Building/School	1,454,300
221-58	Brown Cemetery	9,700		Fire Station	267,900
214-83	57 Whitetail Ridge	11,900		Fire Station Trucks	278,650
225-272	39 Fairway Drive	18,700		Town Hall	10,000
211-69	12 Tall Timber Drive	22,600		Police Department	20,000
221-2	Between Rt 10N, I-89	6,400		Town Offices	31,500
226-26	P/O Brookside Park	9,000		Police Vehicles	32,000
226-27	Brookside Park	25,600		Town Garage Equip/Vehicles	132,200
227-23	New Aldrich Road	100		Dunbar Library	30,000
233-75	Municipal Bldg/School, Fire Station	53,300		Transfer Station	10,000
233-1	Town Offices, Police, Garage	128,200	TOTAL		\$ 2,266,550
237-5	Dunbar Library	139,500			
234-142	Springfield Road	8,500	GRAND TOTAL		\$ 3,189,550
236-21	Hilldale Cemetery	16,900			

**DECEMBER 31, 1997, BALANCE****ASSETS**

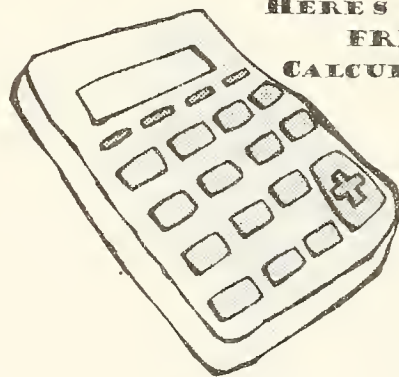
Cash on Hand		\$ 1,611,853.23
Accounts Due to Town		
1997 Property Taxes	\$ 193,755.03	
Unredeemed Taxes	45,107.71	
Accounts Receivable		238,862.74
Capital Reserve Accounts		
Fire Truck	141,833.94	
Town Truck	1,523.02	
Office Computer	2,290.24	
Dunbar Library	54,551.33	
Mower Fund	5,278.60	
Town Green	.77	
Village School Paving	10,011.88	
Gym Floor	5,005.03	
		220,495.71
Expendable Trust		
General Buildings	19,348.29	19,348.29
TOTAL ASSETS		\$2,090,559.97

**LIABILITIES & EQUITIES****Liabilities**

School District Tax Payable	\$ 1,213,676.71
Accounts Payable	62,492.59
1997 Property Tax Overpayment	8,250.67
Capital Reserve Funds	220,495.71
Expendable Trust Fund	19,348.29

Equity

Reserved for Encumbrance	39,440.00
Designated Fund Balance	-0-
Undesignated Fund Balance	526,856.00

TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY**\$2,090,559.97****HERE'S YOUR
FREE
CALCULATOR!**



SUMMARY OF INVENTORY VALUATION



Value of Land Only

Current Use	340,712
Current Use Conservation Restriction	53,578
Residential	53,594,901
Commercial	1,628,070
Total Land Value	55,617,261

Value of Buildings Only

Residential	167,400,350
Manufactured Housing	184,950
Commercial	3,918,600
Total Building Value	171,503,900
Public Utilities	2,042,757
TOTAL VALUATION WITHOUT EXEMPTIONS	229,163,918

Exemptions

Six Elderly Exemptions	90,000
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NET VALUATION ON WHICH THE TAX RATE IS COMPUTED: 229,073,918

VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN

Land & Buildings	171,637,284
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War Service Tax Credits

Totally & Permanently Disabled 2 @ \$700	1,400
All other qualified veterans	7,225
Total	8,625

Elderly Exemption Report

Age 65 - 74 2 @ \$10,000	20,000
Age 75 - 79 2 @ \$15,000	30,000
Age 80+ 2 @ \$20,000	40,000
Total	90,000

Current Use Report

Total number of Current Use Acres	7,819.39
# of owners granted current use status	38
# of parcels in Current Use	50
# of acres receiving Conservation Restriction Assessment	847.75





TAX RATE COMPUTATION



Town Appropriations as approved	+	1,084,605
Less Revenues	-	599,503
Less Shared Revenues	-	3,275
Add: Overlay	+	109,669
Add: War Service Credits	+	8,625
Net Town Appropriations		600,121

Rate: 600,121 divided by Town Valuation (229,073,918) = \$2.62

Due to Local School		2,246,545
Less Shared Revenue	-	10,326
Net School Appropriation		2,236,219

Rate: 2,236,219 divided by Town Valuation (229,073,918) = \$9.76

Due to Local County		715,868
Less Shared Revenues	-	1,562
Net County Appropriation		714,306

Rate: 714,306 divided by Town Valuation (229,073,918) = \$3.12

Total Property Taxes Assessed	3,550,646
Less War Service Credits	(8,625)
Add: Eastman Village District Commitments	211,114
Total Property Tax Commitment	3,753,135

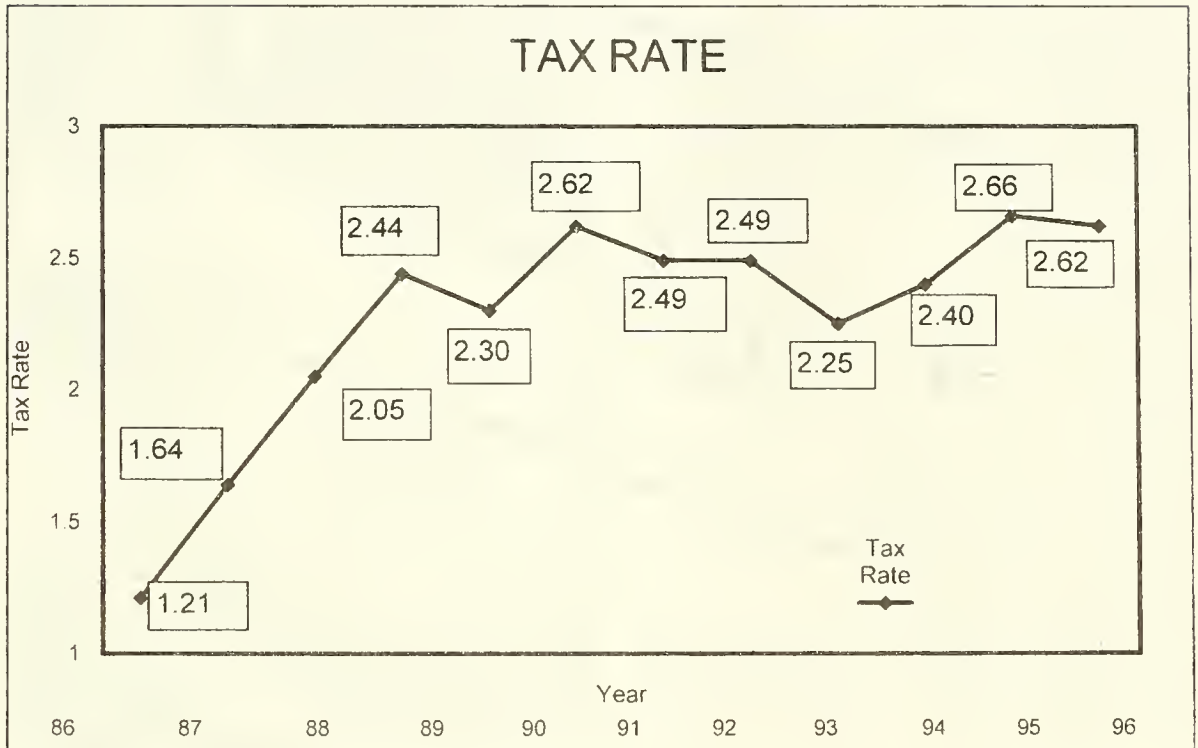
PROOF OF RATE

$$229,073,918 \times 15.50 = 3,550,646$$





TAXES OVER 5 YEARS



FIVE-YEAR TAX REVIEW • TOWN OF GRANTHAM NH

	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Town	2.49	2.25	2.40	2.66	2.62
County	2.90	2.99	3.07	3.01	3.12
School	6.35	7.23	8.72	9.22	9.76
TOTAL	11.74	12.47	14.19	14.89	15.50
Eastman					
Village District	1.64	1.66	1.34	1.32	1.23
TOTAL EVD.	13.38	14.13	15.53	16.21	16.73

The total grand town valuation increased from \$207,662,980 to \$229,073,918 — a 9.35% increase. Therefore, the taxes charged on a property assessed at \$100,000 will be \$61 more this year than last if you are outside of the Eastman Village District. Properties within the Village District's borders will be \$52 higher for a property assessed at \$100,000.





"THE INSIDER"



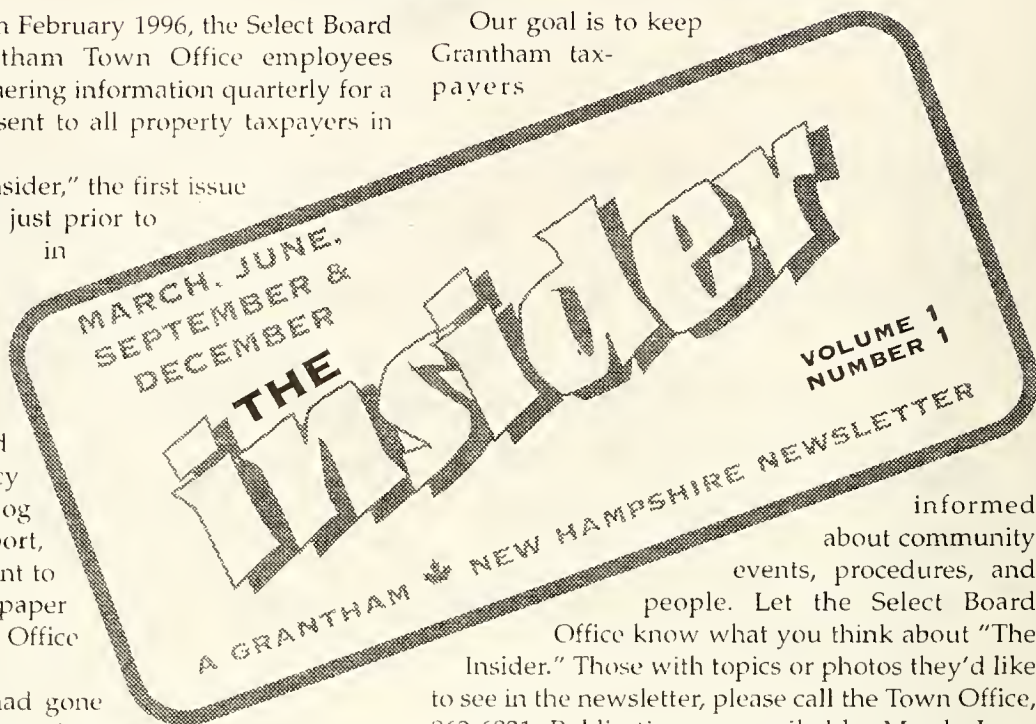
Beginning in February 1996, the Select Board and Grantham Town Office employees began gathering information quarterly for a newsletter to be sent to all property taxpayers in Grantham.

Called "The Insider," the first issue hit the mailboxes just prior to Town Meeting in March. Most of the copy is written by Town employees and volunteers.

Designed and edited by Lucy Wells at Hedgehog Publishing, Newport, that first issue went to press on 11 x 17" paper using the Town Office copy machine.

By June, we had gone to color and a tab-sized single-sheet newspaper, still created by Hedgehog Publishing but printed at the *Valley News* in West Lebanon. Each month, 2,000 copies are made with all but a few hundred mailed directly out.

Our goal is to keep Grantham taxpayers



informed about community events, procedures, and people. Let the Select Board Office know what you think about "The Insider." Those with topics or photos they'd like to see in the newsletter, please call the Town Office, 863-6021. Publications are mailed by March, June, September, and December. Deadlines are by mid-month prior to publication, but the earlier you get information in, the better.



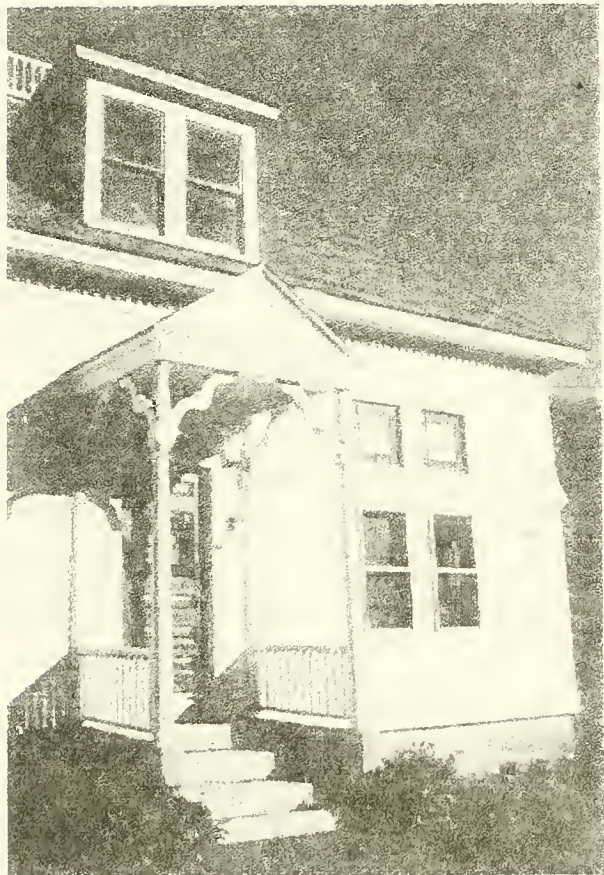
The Insider — A sampling ...

- ✦ Grantham Calendar.....✦ Across the Board (Notes from the BOS)
- ✦ Election Candidates, Results ✦ Summer Safety ✦ Old Home Day Schedule
- ✦ Road Construction & Winter Reminders.....✦ Grantham Grads.....✦ 911
- ✦ Trash News (No, this is not a gossip column!).....✦ Auditor's Report
- ✦ Assessment Appeal Process.....✦ Cemetery Info.....✦ Electric Committee News
- ✦ Hot News about Burning Permits.....✦ Library "Doings".....✦ Grads
- ✦ "Hats Off" Highlighting Noteworthy Citizens.....✦ Town Meeting Info
- ✦ School Events.....✦ and ... a Few Photos





GRANTHAM



DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

The Library has a good problem. It is a warm, comfortable, popular place. The Trustees are looking at options for growth and have started a process toward meeting greater need by the growing community of Grantham. Stop in to see why and perhaps to ask how to help.

*A good book is like a
walk by the river ...
a chance to turn over
another leaf.*



SUGAR RIVER

When the river is calm
and the sun is moving
toward the west, this is
the October view from
the bridge on
Cote Road near the
Route 10 access.





1997 TOWN MEETING MINUTES



The 221th Grantham Town Meeting was called to order on March 11, 1997 at 10:00am, by Moderator Merle Schotanus.

Stephen Prichard was called to give the convocation.

Under the leadership of Micheal Daigle & Bonnie Pillsbury, troop 260 Brownies and troop 170 Juniors led the assembly in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The School Warrant was read by Carl Hanson, School Moderator.

The Town Report was dedicated to Robert Guyette and a round of applause was given along with a thank you.

Moderator Merle Schotanus proposed to conduct the 1997 Grantham Town Meeting by a Modified version of Robert's Rules of Order printed on page 111 in the Town Report. The rules are the same used in prior years. Robert Weiss made the following motion: "I move the 1997 Town Meeting adapt the rules as proposed by the Moderator." The motion was seconded by William Mannix. Passed by a voice vote.

Moderator Schotanus appointed Sandy Palermo, Debbie Cheever, Cindy Towle and Connie Howard as ballot clerks, and stated that polls will close at 6:00pm.

ARTICLE 1: To choose by ballot and major vote for the ensuing years as enumerated:

Supervisors of the Checklist	Allen W. Walker
Selectman	Alden H. Pillsbury
Planning Board	Carl D. Hanson
Library trustee	Allen W. Walker
Cemetery Trustee	Dennis W. Howard
Trustee of Trust Funds	Constance B. Howard
Treasurer	Henry F. Robinson

ARTICLE 2: Are you in favor of the adoption of the amendments to the existing Grantham Zoning Ordinance as proposed by the Planning Board?

A AMEND ARTICLE III ESTABLISHMENT OF DISTRICTS AND DISTRICT REGULATIONS to change all the old referenced town tax map numbers as cited under Business District Areas 1, 3, and 4 and under Business/Light Industrial District Area 5, to the new town tax map numbers following the redrawing of the town tax maps in 1995.

YES 209 NO 21

Passed by ballot vote Total vote caste 230.

B AMEND ARTICLE IVA SHORELAND/RIVER OVERLAY DISTRICT under Section 7 (Woodland Buffer) paragraph ii subsection (3) to delete the word

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"noxious".

Yes 188

NO 32

Passed by ballot vote

Total votes caste 220.

ARTICLE 3: "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Town Of Grantham, NH."

(By Petition)

Special Warrant Article

YES 90

NO 157

Defeated by ballot vote

Total votes caste 247.

ARTICLE 4: "Shall we permit the public library to retain all money it receives from its income-generating equipment to be used for general repairs and upgrading, and for the purchase of books, supplies and income-generating equipment?"

YES 243

NO 8

Passed by ballot vote

Total votes caste 251

ARTICLE 5: "To see if the Town is in favor of having the office of Town Clerk combined with the Tax Collector, thereby creating a new office of Town Clerk/Tax Collector to be held by one individual as provided for in RSA 41:45a. If approved the Town would choose by ballot at the next annual meeting one individual to serve for a term of three (3) years. (March 1998)."

(By Petition)

Special Warrant Article

YES 127

NO 117

Passed by ballot vote

Total votes caste 244

ARTICLE 6: "Shall we modify the elderly exemptions from property tax in the Town of Grantham, based on assessed value, for qualified taxpayers, to be as follows: for a person 65 years of age up to 75 years, \$10,00; for a person 75 years of age up to 80 years, \$15,000; for a person 80 years of age or older, \$20,000. To qualify, the person must have been a New Hampshire resident for at least 6 years, own the real estate individually, or jointly, or if the real estate is owned by such persons spouse they must have been married for at least 5 years. In addition, the taxpayer must have a net income of not more than \$13,400, or if married, a combined net income of less than \$20,400; and own assets not in excess of \$35,000 excluding the value of a person's residence."

YES 218

NO 110

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Passed by ballot vote

Total votes caste 328

ARTICLE 7: "Do you approve of having two (2) sessions for the annual Town Meeting, the first session for choice of town officers elected by an official ballot and other action required to be inserted on said official ballot, and the second session, (the deliberative/business session), on a date set by the Selectmen, for the transaction of other business."

YES 118

NO 127

Defeated by ballot vote

Total votes caste 245

ARTICLE 8: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$324,865 to defray the cost of GENERAL GOVERNMENT operations."

	1996	1997
Executive	\$ 87,708	80,546
Election and Registration	41,894	35,750
Financial Administration	25,951	28,499
Assessing/Tax Maps	8,000	1,500
Legal	5,500	25,000
Personnel Administration	71,728	63,865
Planning Board	4,475	3,190
Zoning Board	1,125	1,125
General Government Buildings	34,615	49,630
Cemeteries	7,000	9,550
Insurance	30,000	25,000
Regional Association	1,310	1,160
TOTAL	\$319,306	324,865

Motion was made by Alden Pillsbury "I move Article 8 as written." Seconded by Debbie Pierce. Passed by Voice Vote

ARTICLE 9: "To see if the Town will raise and appropriate the sum of \$196,061 to defray the cost of Public Safety operations."

	1996	1997
Police Department	\$114,519	125,455
FAST Squad/Ambulance Service	20,350	18,890
Fire Department	50,258	51,466
Forest Fire	250	250
TOTAL	\$185,377	196,061

Motion was made by William Hutchins "I move Article 9 as written." Seconded by Carrie Hastings. Mr. Hutchins commented that Chief Larry was selected out of people to attend FBI School and scored in the top 10 of his class. Passed by voice vote.

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ARTICLE 10: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$291,982 to defray the cost of Public Works operation."

	1996	1997
Highway Administration	\$136,515	149,343
Street Lights	4,457	9,221
Solid Waste Collection	43,575	51,418
Waste Disposal	94,000	75,000
Landfill Closure	3,565	7,000
TOTAL	\$282,112	291,982

Motion was made by Myron Cummings "I move Article 10 as written." Seconded by James Pierce. Barbara Wells commented on how lucky the town was to have Joe Necomb and what a fine job he did. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 11: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,689 to defray the cost of Health and Welfare operations."

	1996	1997
Boarding Animals	\$ 350	350
LSVNA	4,377	3,339
Meals on Wheels	500	500
Kearsarge Council On Aging	-0-	500
Southwestern Community Action Program	\$ 500	500
Town Welfare Administration	2,000	2,500
TOTAL	\$ 7,727	7,689

Motion made by Alden Pillsbury "I move Article 11 as written." Seconded by Fred Stockwell.

It was stated that Lake Sunapee Visiting Nurse Board of Trustees need to be thanked for lowering their rates. Robert Guyette moved to amend the article to increase it by \$1,000, from \$3339 to \$4339. Another town couldn't afford it so they had to change their rates accordingly. Seconded by Debbie Pierce. "We think it is a great service and support it." Arthur Loty - supports this service, they helped him after his triple bypass.

Passed by voice vote on amendment.

A vote was taken on the new Article 11 as amended.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 12: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for Culture and Recreation."

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	1996	1997
Parks & Recreation	\$ 2,000	2,000
Dunbar Free Library	51,171	56,285
Town Archives	500	500
Old Home Day	1,500	1,500
TOTAL	\$55,171	60,285

Motion was made by Myron Cummings "I move Article 12 as written." Seconded by Robert Wiess. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 13: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the following sums for **Conservation and Tax Anticipation Notes.**"

	1996	1997
Conservation Administration\$	500	500
Tax Anticipation Notes	100	100
TOTAL	\$600	600

Motion was made by W. Hutchins "I move Article 13 as written." Seconded by Nancy Springsteen. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 14: "To see if the Town will vote to approve the Town Clerk/Tax Collectors office being open to the public for 36 hours versus 26 hours, as currently designated. The hours of opening to be defined as follows with a half hour for lunch."

Monday	7:30 am - 5:00pm
Tuesday	10:30 am - 8:00pm
Wednesday	10:30 am - 8:00pm
Thursday	7:30 am - 5:00pm

Motion made by Ella Reney "I move Article 14 as written." Seconded by Charlie Amick.

Myron stated Town Clerk/Tax Collector works 36 hours, 26 is to the public and the rest is closed to public. The board want to be open 36 hours to the public.

Pauline Shea said since this is new, could we have the Town Clerk/Tax Collector's opinion. Mrs. Hastings stated this is a non binding article, RSA 41:35 state law, clerk set her own hours. Pauline Shea asked why are they requesting this? Mr. Cummings - last year we said we were going to keep this office open five days a week. Town Clerk/Tax Collector would work Mon-Thurs, she would be the only one in the office on Monday and the rest of the staff would work Tues - Fri. Mrs. Shea - with this change of hours will you get your work done. Mrs. Hastings - No, there is certain things that I can't do with the office open and interruptions. Henry Barton stated he knows this for a fact, cause he and Mrs. Hastings worked a Sat. to get the checklist done for this meeting, it took about 1 1/2 hours to run one. This is run on her Town

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Clerk computer and there are other things she needs to do with out interruptions.

Mr. Mannix - When he comes into the office he wants to do what every he wants to do at that time, if it is to pay taxes or to register a car. Could the assistant do this. Mrs. Hastings stated the board of Selectmen cut the deputy's hours and didn't say one word about it. The hours were 770 and are 440 now, also asked the board to install a locked drop box so people could leave their taxes. This request was denied.

Cindy Towle stated this seemed to be an issue of accessibility, have we looked at Sat. hours. Mrs. Hastings stated when she first came to the job 11 years ago we had Sat hours and it was not profitable. People were inquiring on how to register illegally.

Richard Horton stated 36 hours is not a full week, if we raise it to 40 hours, increase deputy hours and pay , and France's pay was more adequate we could have a full time Tax Collector.

Elizabeth Monteleon asked why are we discussing this if we have no say in it, it is up to the Tax Collector. The Moderator said the town is the legislative body and they can change the law.

Mrs. Hastings responded, elected office by state law she has the right to set her own hours.

Mrs. Monteleon wants to know why are we discussing this.

Mrs. Hasting - I don't know this is something that should be negotiated by the selectmen and herself in executive session.

Russell Keat used a comparison between flipping hamburgers at McDonalds to someone taking cash. It seems to be if Frances is doing both and if she needs time to do something else she should know. Lets take the personality out of this.

Mr. Scott asked Merl if we have the right to set the hours. Merl said he needed the correct himself. The state laws allows the Clerk to set the hours once she is elected.

Connie Howard moved the question. Merle said he would accept this but allows one more comment. Chick said we have made some changes to lighten her load, by doing away with resident tax and inventory. Merl asked for a second. David Springsten seconded. Moderator had a request for a secret ballot with 6 names on it.

Signatures were	Ella Reney
	Mildred Guyette
	Dennis Howard
	Joey Holmes
	Warren Kimball
	Robert Guyette

121 votes cast

Passed by ballot vote 90 yes 31 no.

ARTICLE 15: "Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 80:52-a to authorize the collector of taxes to accept payments in prepayments of taxes?"

Motion was made by W. Hutchins "I move Article 15 as written." Seconded by Ella Reney. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 16: "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Clerk to administer the sale of new license plates?"

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Motion made by M Cummings "I move Article 16 as written." Seconded by Richard DeNatal.

Myron stated it is only advisory, a none binding vote.

Lori McClory asked how much more work and why are you resisting this? Mrs. Hastings stated that it was not an affirmative no. To sell license plates you need a locked area to keep the plates in, with just the vault right now it is a security problem because we have some records that should be locked up. The Board of Selectmen does not want to compensate for the extra work.

Passed by majority voice vote.

ARTICLE 17: "Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Clerk/Tax Collector to sell to the public - Transfer Station stickers and demolition debris tickets."

Motion made by Myron Cummings "I move Article 17 as written." Seconded by Cindy Towle.

Connie Howard asked to have the Article amended to read:

"Shall the Town vote to authorize the Town Clerk/Tax Collector to sell to the public - Transfer Station stickers and demolition debris tickets during June & July."

Motion made by Connie Howard "I move Article 17 as amended." Seconded by Carrie Hastings.

Rejected by voice vote.

Back to original Article.

Asked for vote on Article as printed. Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 18: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$18,000 for (i) the demolition and removal of town owned buildings located at 400 Route 10 South and (ii) approve construction of a car parking lot upon the property located at 400 Route 10 South which would annex to the current Town Hall/Church car lot."

Motion was made by Mike Reney "I move Article 18 as written." Seconded by Myron Cummings.

Mike Reney stated that this has been his pet project for many years, it is an eye sore.

Money was donated by Howard Speiss to purchase this property for parking for the Library, Old Town Hall and the Church.

Bobbie Travis asked about cross walks and side walks.

Passed by voice vote.

Adjourned for lunch at 12:05 pm

1:15 pm start of meeting again.

ARTICLE 19: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$10,000 to construct a new parking area at the Grantham Village School."

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Motion was made by Charlie Rodgers "I move Article 19 as written." Seconded by Charlie Amick.

Charlie stated due to increase in enrollment in school we need the additional parking. Chick said it would add 45 - 50 more parking spaces.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 20: "To see if the Town will vote to (i) authorize the Board of Selectmen to enter into a lease agreement for the purpose of leasing one police cruiser for the Police Department; and (ii) raise and appropriate the sum of \$7,064 for the first years payment for that purpose."

Motion by W. Hutchins "I move Article 20 as written." Seconded by Sandy Palermo.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 21: "To see if the Town will (i) vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$34,828 for the purchase of a one ton truck and body and (ii) authorize the withdrawal of \$19,528 plus any accrued interest from the Highway Truck, Capital Reserve Fund to defray the cost."

Motion was made by Alden Pillsbury "I move Article 21 as written." Seconded by Francis Mutney.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 22: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate \$2,000 for a vote counting machine."

Motion was made by Myron Cummings "I move Article 22 as written." Seconded by Robert Guyette.

Passed by voice vote.

Connie stated if you haven't done it you should try it. It's a fun thing to do. With the machine we will lose another tradition from the old days. The machine will be a rebuilt machine.

ARTICLE 23: "To see if the Town will (i) vote to raise and appropriate \$33,000 to survey, engineer, and begin construction of recreational field(s) adjacent to the school and (ii) accept the gift of \$13,000 from the Grantham Conservation Commission to defray the cost of said recreation field(s). Said balance to be further defrayed with the use of \$5,000 plus any accrued interest from the "Town Green/Recreational Field(s) Capital Reserve as established by the 1996 Town Meeting Article 19."

Motion made by James Pierce "I move Article 23 as written." Seconded by Karen Wentzel.

Connie stated it would have been nice if the selectmen had asked the Conservation Committee first. RSA is pretty specific on how this fund can be spent.

Chief said we need a recreation area for the kids. They are playing in the Mobil Station parking lot and

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dead end streets.

Pam Hanson hopes the Selectmen would use the commet that came from Project 2001.

Shannon stated we need more playing field for the kids.

Connie asked that on behalf or the Grantham Conservation Commission, I move the following amendment to Article 23 (ii) to read:

To amend Article 23: "(ii) accept the gift of \$13,000 from the Grantham Conservation Commission contingent on the Commission's approval of a site plan which adequately addresses conservation concerns such as habitat preservation, woodland butters, etc. to defray the cost of said recreation field(s)."

Seconded by Robert Weiss.

Passed on voice vote.

Article 23 would now read:

"To see if the Town will (i) vote to raise and appropriate \$33,000 to survey, engineer, and begin construction of recreational field(s) adjacent to the school and (ii) accept the gift of \$13,000 from the Grantham Conservation Commission contingent on the Commission's approval of a site plan which adequately addresses conservation concerns such as habitat preservation, woodland butters, etc. to defray the cost of said recreation field(s). Said balance to be further defrayed with the use of \$5,000 plus any accrued interest from the "Town Green/Recreational Field(s) Capital Reserve as established by the 1996 Town Meeting Article 19."

Debbie Cheever moves the question. Seconded by Cindy Towle.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 24: "TO SEE IF THE Town will vote to (i) establish a Capital Reserve Fund, under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of floor renovations to the Municipal Building (Gymnasium), (ii) to raise and appropriate \$5,000 to be placed in this fund and (iii) to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend."

Special Warrant Article

Motion made by M Cummings "I move Article 24 as written." Seconded by James Pierce.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 25: "To see if the Town will vote to (i) establish a Capital Reserve Fund, under the provisions of RSA 35:1 for the purpose of pavement of the Village School car lot and driveway, (ii) to raise and appropriate \$10,000 to be placed in this fund and (iii) to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend."

Special Warrant Article

Motion made by W. Hutchins "I move Article 25 as written." Seconded by Russ Larry.

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Pam Hanson wanted to know was the lights included in this price. Lighting would not be but draining would be.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 26: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate funds to be placed in previously established Capital Reserve Funds as follows."

	1996	1997
Fire Department Capital Reserve	\$25,000	37,500
Mowers Capital Reserve	3,000	1,500
Town Green Reserve	<u>5,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>
TOTAL	33,000	39,000

Motion made by M. Cummings "I move Article 26 as written." Seconded by Dennis Howard.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 27: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate (i) the sum of \$25,000 to be added to the Phase II Addition of the Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund (previously established) and (ii) to designate the Library Trustees to carry out the purposes of said fund."

Special Warrant Article

Motion made by Joey Holmes "I move Article 27 as written." Seconded by Cindy Towel.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 28: "To see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$1,231 to add to the Phase II Addition of the Dunbar Free Library Capital Reserve Fund (previously established) and to authorize the Board of Selectmen to accept the gift of \$1,231 from the Library Trustees for such purposes."

Special Warrant Article

Motion made by Joey Holmes "I move Article 28 as written." Seconded by Robert Guyette.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 29: "To see if the Town will vote to establish (i) a Non-Capital Reserve Fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1-c for the purpose of a Computer Maintenance and Replacement Fund, (ii) to raise and appropriate the sum of \$2,000 to be placed in this fund and (iii) to designate the Board of Selectmen as agents to expend."

Motion made by W. Hutchins "I move Article 29 as written." Seconded by Ella Reney.

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Connie wants to know if this is going to be added to what we already have. Myron said it is an new account for repair, the other is for purchase.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 30: "to see if the Town will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of \$15,000 to be added to the Town Buildings Emergency Repair Expendable Trust, previously established (Article 20 - 1995 Town Meeting)."

Motion made by Alden Pillsbury "I move Article 30 as written." Seconded by Richard Horton.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 31: "To see if the Town will vote to (i) approve the provisions of RSA 31:94-a which established a single 18 month accounting period running from January 1 of the calendar year following adoption and ending June 30 of he next following year, (thereafter the accounting period shall run from July 1 to June 30 of the following year) and (ii) to approve the provisions of RSA 39:1-a to hold its Annual Town Meeting on the second Tuesday of May."

Motion made by M Cummings "I move Article 31 as written" Seconded by Carrie Hastings.

Myron stated this came from a survey that was done at all of the different elections we held. In 1998, March meeting would be a 18 month budget. The new year would be July 1 - June 30, 1999, the other change would be second Tuesday in May would be Town Meetings. Budget would be 1 million 6 for 18 month.

Chick gave a little history on why it was in March, they used to tax sheep and cattle before they went to pasture.

Article 31 was amend by Richard Armstrong and Seconded by E. Hayes.

Bob Guyette asked what kind of a problem Article 7 would cause, Myron Cummings stated Article 7 had to pass first. Myron stated the expert on his left (April Whittaker) said we need the amendment because it could be construed as March meeting. Myron asked Mr. Armstrong to write his amendment.

Richard Horton asked about a legal allocation if Article 7 failed and Article 31 passed. People have already voted, this is unjust.

Myron said Town council & NHMC don't know. State does not know , so if we have to go to court to see that's what we have to do. Mr. Horton does not want to spent money on legal fees. Mrs. Hastings stated ballot vote over rules a floor vote.

Mr. Armstrong presented his amendment.

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ARTICLE 31 AS AMENDED: "To see if the Town will vote to (I) approve the provisions of RSA 31:94-a which established a single 18 month accounting period running from January 1 of the calendar year following adoption and ending June 30 of the next following year, (thereafter the accounting period shall run from July 1 to June 30 of the following year) and (ii) to approve the provisions of RSA 39:1-a to hold it's Annual Town Meeting (business portion) on the Saturday after the second Tuesday of May."

Voice vote on amendment. Moderator had some doubts, so he asked for a show of hands. Amendment passed by 48 yes votes to 29 no votes. With a show of hands. Total 77 votes.

Pauline Shea moved the question, seconded by Richard Whittings.
Passed by voice vote.

Voted on new article as amended. Moderator had to have a show of hands because a voice vote was unclear.

Passed by show of hands 50 yes 29 no. 78 Total votes.

ARTICLE 32: "To see if the Town will vote to adopt the provisions of RSA 202-A:4-d authorizing the library trustees to accept gifts of personal property, other than money, which may be offered to the library for any public purpose, provided, however, that no acceptance of personal property by the library trustee shall be deemed to bind the town or the library trustees to raise, appropriate or expend any public funds for the operation, maintenance, repair or replacement of such personal property. And further to require that prior to the acceptance of any such gift, valued at over \$5,000, the public library trustees shall hold a public hearing on the proposed acceptance."

Motion made by Joey Holmes "I move Article 32 as written." Seconded by Marylon Scott.

Passed by voice vote.

ARTICLE 33: "To see if the town will authorize the Conservation Commission to increase to a seven member Commission from it's current five member Commission in accordance with RSA 36-A:3." (Commission shall consist of not less than 3 nor more than 7 members)
By Petition

Motion made by Carrie Hastings "I move Article 33 as written." Seconded by Connie Howard.

Chick said right now we have 5 members and 5 alternatives. He feels a 5 members is easier instead of 7 members.

Asked for voice vote, Moderator then asked for show of hands.

Rejected by vote 35 yes 36 no.

ARTICLE 34: "To hear the reports of agents, officers, and committees heretofore chosen, to pass any vote

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relating thereto, and to transact any other business that may legally come before said meeting."

Correction to a marriage: Mert Hastings III and Sarah Woodbury - the date of marriage was September 21st not September 17.

Correction to birth: Garrett Marshall Field name was spelled wrong and mother Laurie Lynn Field birthplace was NY not VT. Daniel Reginald Field and Laurie Lynn Field were the proud parent of a baby boy born on December 10, 1997.

Fence Viewer- Cindy Towel nominated Dan and Lori McClory to be fence viewers. Lori had to decline because of Dan's and her position at the Valley New. Cindy then nominated Andy Anderson and Victoria Smith for fence viewer.

Passed by voice vote.

Hog-reign: Carrie nominated Merton and Sarah Hastings III for hog-reigns for the 1997 year. Seconded by Debbie Peirce.

Passed by voice vote.

Carol Shephard handed town clerk a note about some land that Mr. Fowler would donate to the Town, to be used to build a new Police Station or Town Office or both. This all that the land could be used for. This would have to be discussed at a selectman meeting. Carol was unable to present this purposeful because she had to get home, Deane Shepherd had gone into labor.

Chick thanked the Speiss's again for their donation for a parking lot.

Myron announced he would not run again in 1998, if there was anyone who would like to run.

Dennis read a song about Grantham. Written by C. Tobine

THE SONG OF THE FRIENDLY TOWN

To the east of Croydon Mountain,
There lies a little town;
In scenery abounding
For many miles around.

But scenery is a trivial thing,
As far as such things go;
"Hospitality" is the song we sing,
And "Friendliness" our motto.

So may our Friendly little town
Stretch out its welcoming hands
To the weary stranger, homeward bound
For far and distant lands.

Let Newport sing her Sunshine lay!
May she gain great renown!
But Grantham sings throughout the day
The song of the "Friendly Town."

Shirley Curtis asked "What happened to the Town Seal" Myron said one drawing was done and they couldn't come to an agreement.

Kathy Coleman moved to adjourn. Seconded by Carrie Hastings.
Meeting adjourned at 3:40pm.

*Respectfully submitted,
Frances Hastings*





TOWN CLERK: ANNUAL ACTIVITIES



Time seems to fly, 1997 has past by already and soon spring will be here. With a 1.14% increase in Town Clerk's revenues over last year's, you will see that we have been extra busy. Those areas of increase are auto registrations and marriage licenses.

The Town Clerk's office, in 1997, offered a new option — Mail-in-Registration for automobiles. If the information sent to you is correct, all you need to do is include two checks — one for the Town and one for the State.

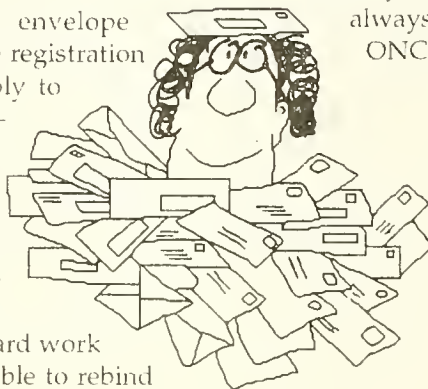
A self-addressed, stamped envelope (SASE) needs to be sent with the registration form. This service does not apply to transfer of license plates or registration of new cars. This seems to have been a real hit for the residents of Grantham. I hope this has made it easier for you. New plates for personal passage vehicles was started in October.

Thanks to Lea Frey and her hard work in the Archives, we have been able to rebind

1777 - 1849 Vital Statistics, and 1877 - 1909, 1910 - 1930 Town Reports. They are just lovely. Hope this will be a continuing project between Town Clerk and Archives. Thank you so much, Lea. Remember, this bound information is available for public use — come and see the new, improved books.

At this opportunity, I would like to THANK ALL of YOU for your support that you have shown me. I would like to THANK my deputy, Shirley, for all of her support. Thanks is not always enough, but it sure means a lot. ONCE AGAIN, THANKS TO ALL,

*Frances Hastings,
Town Clerk/Tax Collector*



TOWN CLERK'S REPORT

JANUARY 1, 1997 TO DECEMBER 31, 1997

MOTOR VEHICLE PERMIT FEES	\$ 343,018.00
MUNICIPAL AGENT FEE	4,805.00
DOG LICENSES	1,215.50
STATE DOG FUND	597.00
DOG FINES	54.00
MARRIAGE LICENSES	765.00
MARRIAGE, BIRTH, & DEATH CERTIFICATES	150.00
COPIES of MARRIAGE, BIRTH, & DEATH CERTIFICATE	150.00
UCC FILINGS	517.00
WETLANDS PERMITS	28.00
ELECTION FILING FEE	4.00
MISCELLANEOUS	125.00
BAD CHECK FEE	165.00

TOTAL

\$ 351,594.00



**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT: MS61****SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS: FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997**

Town of Grantham	----- Levies of -----		Prior
	1997	1996	
Uncollected Taxes —			
Beginning of Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes		\$ 322,859.22	
Resident Taxes			\$ 3,449.00
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes		2,688.21	1,504.95
Taxes Committed to Collector			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,785,510.77		
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	11,560.73		
Added Taxes:			
Property Taxes			
Resident Taxes			
Overpayments:			
Property Taxes	8,182.92	67.75	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Interest Collect on			
Delinquent Taxes	2,965.81	12,017.48	
Costs Collected on			
Property Taxes		1,944.41	
Resident Taxes			
Other Taxes			
Excess Credits			
Property Taxes			
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Property Tax PREPAYMENTS DURING FISCAL YEAR			
Prepayments	1,405.02		
Total Debits	\$3,809,625.25	\$ 339,577.07	\$ 4,953.95

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT: MS61****SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS: FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997**

Town of Grantham	----- Levies of -----		
	1997	1996	Prior
Remitted to Treasurer -			
During Fiscal Year:			
Property Taxes	\$ 3,575,693.78	\$ 319,930.30	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes	11,560.73	1,868.16	
Interest on Taxes	2,965.81	12,017.48	
COST/PENALTIES REMITTED			
DURING FISCAL YEAR			
Cost/Penalties		1,944.41	
PENALTIES ON RESIDENT TAX			
Discount Allowed:			
Abatements Allowed:			
Property Taxes	31,416.47	2,996.67	
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Tax Lien Executed During Year:			
Deeded To Town During Year:			
Excess Debits			
Property Taxes			
Resident Taxes			
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes			
Uncollected Taxes -			
End of Fiscal Year			
Property Taxes	186,583.44		
Resident Taxes			3,449.00
Land Use Change Tax			
Yield Taxes		820.05	1,504.95
Prepayments	1,405.02		
Total Credits	\$ 3,809,625.25	\$ 339,577.07	\$ 4,953.95

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**TAX COLLECTOR'S REPORT: MS61****SUMMARY OF TAX ACCOUNTS: FISCAL YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1997**

Town of Grantham	----- Levies of -----		
	1997	1996	Prior

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Balance of Unredeemed Taxes Beginning of Fiscal Year		\$ 39,144.28	\$ 36,988.49
Tax Liens Executed to Town During Fiscal Year:	\$ 34,304.10		
Subsequent Taxes Paid:			
Interest Collected After Lien Execution:			
INTEREST COST COLLECTED	159.09	4,832.53	4,957.16
Collected Redemption Costs:			
Total Debits	\$ 34,463.19	\$ 43,976.81	\$ 41,945.65
Remittance to Treasurer - During Fiscal Year:			
Redemptions	\$ 4,143.01	\$ 29,099.06	\$ 24,768.99
Interest and Costs (After Lien Execution)			
INTEREST & COST COLLECTED	159.09	4,832.53	4,957.16
Abatement of Unredeemed Taxes:			
Deeded to Town During Year: (Taxes, Interest & Costs)			
Unredeemed Taxes End of Fiscal Year:			
UNREDEEMED TAXES	30,161.09	10,045.22	22,078.06
Total Credits	\$ 34,463.19	\$ 43,976.81	\$ 51,804.21





UNREDEEMED TAXES FROM TAX LIENS



YEAR ENDED: DECEMBER 31, 1997 (LEVIES)

		1996	1995	1994
ALON SHIMON & ALON	25 EAGLE DRIVE	\$ 316.80	\$ 273.16	\$ 282.58
	27 EAGLE DRIVE	2,951.44	2,776.71	2,541.23
BAGLEY CYNTHIA	7 PLEASANT DRIVE	2,114.95	2,011.65	
BARD ROSE	161 YANKEE BARN ROAD	147.03	122.73	
BARRELL JOHN & RUTH	50 BUTTERNUT POND ROAD	125.98		
BERENSON BARBARA	1 EAGLE DRIVE	33.79		
BOISVERT STEVEN	22 KNOB HILL	178.19		
CAMPBELL JR. GEORGE	33 BUTTERNUT ROAD	294.24	154.09	188.83
CASEY WILLIAM & DIANNE	32 HIGHWOOD WAY	90.84		
CASHORE WILLIAM	95 SPRING VALLEY DRIVE	23.93		
EGBERT DAVID	656 MARTEN ROAD	2408.17		
FORWARD TRUST, TRUSTEE OF	NEW ALDRICH ROAD	239.32		
GALLIEN RYAN & SHANNON	626 ROUTE 10 NORTH	439.55	402.24	379.49
HARRINGTON ROBERT & MARY	36 MOOSE RUN	162.13		
HART WILLIAM R	PILLSBURY ROAD, I-89	156.56		
KEALEY LAURENCE/WEST COVE B COND	17 ISLAND VIEW	3571.15	3408.52	
LECLERC ROGER	19 ANDERSON POND ROAD	312.28		
LEGANZA LEONARD	35 WALTON HEATH DRIVE	415.15		
MIKOLOSKI, JR. HENRY S	3 SUGAR HILL ROAD	146.62		
MILLER DAWN	ROUTE 10 NORTH	201.71	175.42	175.59
MORRISON WILLIAM D	6 DEER RUN	124.45		
OLANDER BRIAN	392 ROUTE 10 SOUTH	943.37	882.71	
OHRIN-GREIP, CATHERINE & JULES	33 HIGH POND ROAD	99.36		
	45 HIGH POND ROAD	63.23		
	17 BROOKRIDGE DRIVE	198.56		
PARTRIDGE EDWARD	88 STOCK POND ROAD	1044.47	979.13	
POWER DARLEN	5 SUMMIT DRIVE	533.72		
RINALDI LOUISE	49 HEMLOCK LANE	353.37	320.04	
SALTZ STEPHEN	10 FERNWOOD LANE	257.26	229.64	137.88
SOCK FRANK J	28 SPRING VALLEY DRIVE	118.02		
STAMAS NICHOLAS P	74 WHITETAIL RIDGE	90.46		
STOWER BRENDA RS	11 BOBBIN HILL	54.79		
TULLIE MICHAEL	19 SPRING VALLEY DRIVE	173.24	149.15	
TIMBERSTAND INVESTMENT Co	MILLER POND ROAD	2243.46		
TOMCHICK JAMES	841 COVE DRIVE	2741.10	2612.28	
TYSOR BAYAR	24 SALON DRIVE	259.97	131.11	
UNDERHILL JR. ROBERT & JANE	10 MEADOW BROOK ROAD	2570.03		
WHARTON ROBERT	30 ROBIN LANE	520.70		
WILHELM MARK	10 ASH LANE	840.33		
WOOD STEVEN	870 DUNBAR HILL ROAD	448.97		
WRIGHT JOHN & MARGARET	21 OLD SPRING LANE	651.52	607.84	576.87

— — BANKRUPTCY — —

	1996	1995	1994	1993	1992	1991	1990	1989
GULAS IVAN	234.86	207.04	203.60	193.62	3856.60	4403.30	4316.50	3856.23
MYLER DAVID	213.94	188.100	192.15	194.72	174.67	181.02		



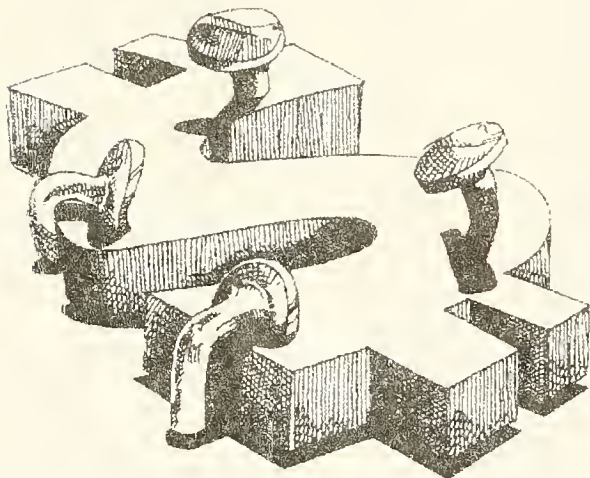
**1997 TREASURER'S REPORT**

Your Town Treasurer deposits the Town monies that are received by the Tax Collector, Town Clerk, and Town Offices and invests them in accounts that earn the highest possible interest that have a high degree of security and liquidity. The payments made by the Treasurer are authorized by the Select Board and tracked to budgeted amounts approved at the Town Meeting. The "float" between receipts and expenditures and fund balances provide our town with interest income.

This year began a monthly reconciliation and reporting process with the Tax Collector, Town Clerk and Town Bookkeeper that enables us to internally audit our activities to assure continued accuracy and in-balance status.

The services of Gina Hutchins, the assistant Treasurer and prior Town Treasurer, has been most appreciated and has helped with an easy transition in this, my first year as Treasurer. As we enter 1998, it is a pleasure to welcome David Eigenbrode as Deputy Treasurer.

Respectfully submitted,
Hank Robinson
Grantham Town Treasurer.

**1997 TREASURER'S REPORT****BEGINNING BALANCE January 1, 1997:**

Checking Account	\$ 2,890.24
Savings Account	113,965.59
Repurchase Agreement	708,900.03
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	420,520.67
Beginning total:	1,246,276.53

RECEIPTS:

From Tax Collector	3,984,128.77
From Town Clerk	351,594.00
From Town Office	218,332.46

INVESTMENT EARNINGS:

Checking Account	614.88
Savings Account	385.22
Repurchase Agreement	25,634.43
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	30,046.45

BANK TRANSACTION:

Bad Checks Returned by Bank	(3,712.98)
Bad Check Bank Fee	(60.00)
Bad Checks Redeposited	3,752.98
Bank Wire Fees	(15.00)

DISBURSEMENTS per SELECT BOARD ORDERS:

Accounts Payable	3,909,719.70
Refund Payments (Reduction in Revenue)	52,018.70
Voided Issued Checks	(34,329.59)
Payroll and Benefits	281,491.19
Federal Tax Electronic Transfer	36,224.51

Ending Balance	1,611,853.23
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ENDING BALANCE December 31, 1997

Checking Account	823.46
Savings Account	0.00
Repurchase Agreement	731,460.65
New Hampshire Public Deposit Investment Pool	879,569.12

RECONCILING YEAR END BALANCE

1,611,853.23





REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS



REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GRANTHAM DECEMBER 31, 1997

No.	Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	Purpose of Trust Fund	How Invested	CAPITAL		
					Balance Beginning	New Funds	With- Drawals
101 192	1900 1997	CEMETERY TOTALS	Cem. Care	LSB 1 Con	20,696.91	2,000.00	22,696.91
		OTHER TRUST FUNDS					
401	1891	Grantham School Fund	Grantham School	LSB SA	623.00		623.00
402	1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	Dunbar Library	LSB SA	300.00	0.00	300.00
404	06/18/85	Glen Hudson Memorial Fund	Scholarship Fd.	LSB SA/CD	2,960.00	0.00	2,960.00
405	01/30/97	JP&MM English Educ. Fund	Ac Excellence	LSB SA/CD		11,248.43	11,248.43
406	12/22/97	Computer Reserve Fund	Maint./Repl.	LSB SS	0.00	1,714.00	1,714.00
		Other Trust Fund Totals			3,883.00	12,962.43	16,845.43
		CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS					
517	12/15/94	Fire Dept. Apparatus	New Equipment	MBIA 0008	94,100.00	37,500.00	131,600.00
518	05/10/90	Town Highway Truck	New Truck	MBIA 0009	16,790.00	0.00	16,780.00
523	07/17/93	Office Computer	New Computer	MBIA 0010	1,975.00	0.00	1,975.00
525	07/17/93	Dunbar Free Library	Building Fund	MBIA 0011	31,541.61	19,806.25	51,347.86
530	12/15/97	Mower Fund	New Mower	MBIA 0012	4,075.00	901.00	4,976.00
535	12/23/96	Town Green Fund	Town Green	MBIA 0013	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
538	12/24/97	Village School Paving	Drivl/Car Lot	MBIA 0016	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
539	12/24/97	Gym Floor Renovations	Gym Renov	MBIA 0017	5,000.00	0.00	5,000.00
522	04/21/92	Village District of Eastman	Well Replace	MBIA 0001	67,178.47	0.00	67,178.47
532	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Dug Well	MBIA 0006	10,000.00	0.00	10,000.00
533	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Gen/Pump Mnt	MBIA 0007	15,000.00	0.00	15,000.00
534	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	Water Main Mnt	MBIA 0005	50,000.00	0.00	50,000.00
536	12/31/96	Village District of Eastman	Treat/Filt. Fac	MBIA 0014	200,000.00	90,439.14	290,439.14
	12/31/97	Capital Reserve Funds Totals			495,660.08	163,646.39	98,968.47
		EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS					
531	12/15/95	Expendable General Fund	Emerg. Repairs	LSB SS	9,960.58	15,000.00	6,387.36
537	01/21/97	GV School Expend. Trust	Emerg Rep	MBIA 0015	9,960.58	14,000.00	8,920.00
		EXPENDABLE TRUST TOTALS				29,000.00	15,307.36
		REPORT TOTALS			530,200.57	207,608.82	623,533.56





REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS



REPORT OF THE TRUST FUNDS OF THE TOWN OF GRANTHAM - DECEMBER 31, 1997

No.	Date of Creation	Name of Trust Fund	INCOME			Total
			Beginning Balance	Received During Year	Expended During Year	
101 192	1900 1997	CEMETERY TOTALS	8,281.05	1,609.02	2,886.22	29,700.76
401	1891	Grantham School Fund	0.00	17.38	17.38	623.00
402	1915	Hiram Buswell Fund	0.00	8.37	8.37	300.00
404	06/18/85	Glenn Hudson Memorial Fund	633.23	188.24	300.00	3,481.47
405	01/30/97	JP&MM English Educ Trust	0.00	453.77	0.00	11,702.20
406	12/22/97	Computer Reserve Fund	0.00	0.00	0.00	1,714.00
		Other Trust Fund Totals	633.23	667.76	325.75	17,820.67
CAPITAL RESERVE FUNDS						
517	12/15/94	Fire Dept. Apparatus	4,920.22	5,313.72	0.00	141,833.94
518	05/10/90	Town Highway Truck	3,219.43	1,041.59	2,738.00	1,523.02
523	07/17/93	Office Computer	199.55	115.69	0.00	2,290.24
525	07/17/93	Dunbar Free Library	1,429.59	1,777.88	0.00	54,551.33
530	12/15/95	Mower Fund	80.44	222.16	0.00	5,278.60
535	12/23/96	Town Green Fund	3.77	259.92	262.92	0.77
538	12/24/97	Village School Paving	0.00	11.88	0.00	10,011.88
539	12/24/97	Gym Floor Revovations	0.00	5.93	0.00	5,005.93
522	04/21/92	Village District of Eastman	11,711.66	921.28	12,632.94	0.00
532	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	505.05	122.68	627.73	0.00
533	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	505.83	825.27	0.00	16,331.10
534	12/27/95	Village District of Eastman	1,267.30	2,727.17	0.00	53,994.47
536	12/31/96	Village District of Eastman	31.53	14,357.49	0.00	304,828.16
	12/31/97	Capital Reserve Funds Totals	23,870.37	27,702.66	16,261.59	595,649.44
EXPENDABLE TRUST FUNDS						
531	12/15/95	Expendable General Fund	572.32	202.75	0.00	19,348.29
537	01/21/97	GV School Expend Trust	0.00	685.03	0.00	5,765.03
		EXPENDABLE TRUST TOTALS	572.32	887.78	0.00	25,113.32
			33,356.97	30,867.22	19,473.56	668,284.19



**TRUST FUNDS****TRUSTEES OF TRUST FUNDS - FUND DATA**

12/31/1996

FUND SOURCE	FUND	AMOUNT
Lake Sunapee Bank		
CD #1950011010	Cemetery (Common #1)	\$ 26,250.00
Treas. Acc't #210135720	Cemetery (Common #1)	\$ 3,450.75
CD #1950104170	Glenn Hudson Mem.	\$ 2,960.00
Passbook #000047704	Glenn Hudson Mem.	\$ 521.47
Passbook #12955	Grantham School Fund	\$ 623.00
Passbook #13201	Hiram Buswell - Library	\$ 300.00
Statement Sav. #210080690	Town Expendable Trust	\$ 19,348.29
CD #1000146470	J & M English Educ. Fund	\$ 11,188.43
Passbook #290098190	J & M English Educ. Fund	\$ 513.78
Statement Sav. #210159220	Computer Reserve Fund	\$ 1,714.00

Total LSB Accounts**New Hampshire Public Deposit (MBIA)**

NH-01-0150-0005	Water Maint. Expend. Tr.	\$ 53,994.47
NH-01-0150-0007	Gen/Pumps Maint.	\$ 16,331.10
NH-01-0150-0014	Treatment Filtration Fac.	\$ 304,828.16
NH-01-0150-0008	Fire Dept. Apparatus	\$ 141,833.94
NH-01-0150-0009	Town Highway Truck	\$ 1,523.02
NH-01-0150-0010	Office Computer	\$ 2,290.24
NH-01-0150-0011	Dunbar Free Library	\$ 54,551.33
NH-01-0150-0012	Mowers	\$ 5,278.60
NH-01-0150-0013	Town Green Reserve	\$.77
NH-01-0150-0016	Village School Paving	\$ 10,011.88
NH-01-0150-0017	Gym Floor Renovation	\$ 5,005.93
NH-01-0150-0015	School Bldg. Expend. Tr.	\$ 5,765.03

Total NHPD Funds

Grand Total of All Accounts	\$ 668,284.19
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REPORT GRAND TOTAL**12/31/1997****\$ 668,284.19**



POLICE DEPARTMENT



*"Singularity is almost invariably a clue.
The more featureless and commonplace a crime is,
the more difficult it is to bring it home."*

— Arthur Conan Doyle

The year 1997 is proving to be another record breaking year for the Police Department. It is much like 1994, when our work load jumped by an amazing 20% in the number of calls for service. The calls for service rose from 800 to over 1,000. The standard for calls in 1995 and 1996 held steady at the 1,000 mark. This figure was reached the first of October with over 1,000 calls for service logged in 1997. By the first week of December we had 1,290 calls and are expecting to exceed 1,350 a 35% increase in calls for 1997.

As seen around the State, crime is not going away. In addition to increases in the number of cases handled, the seriousness of these crimes is also becoming more acute. This fact is evidenced by the killing of New Hampshire police officers in the line of duty, and the busting of a heroin house in the Croydon/Newport area. We must be ever vigilant to problems in the area.

For the past 10 years, our goal has been community policing. I feel the cooperation between the police department and the school, as well as the other town departments, is what makes the community policing theory work. Our open policing concept has made it possible for the citizens of Grantham to feel comfortable dealing with the police department on any problem or issue.

It is hard to believe that a year has passed since I graduated from the FBI National Academy. I can honestly see what a great opportunity this was and how beneficial it is to the town of Grantham to have had me attend the most prestigious law enforcement training facility in the world. The training at the FBI Academy has given me the ability to keep up with the technological changes in law enforcement while still maintaining our small town community policing attitude. This is what creates fine, professional work without losing that personal touch.

There are a number of ways to document the growth of our town. When I came to Grantham in 1987, there were only approximately fifty (50) children in our village school, now there are over one

hundred sixty (160). Our calls for service rose 150% in just seven (7) years with another 35% increase in just the last three (3) years. This is a growth from approximately 400 calls for service in 1988 to nearly 1,350 in 1997.

Along with growth, come problems. Our calls for service are becoming much more complicated. The current state system for dealing with juvenile problems has become much more complicated than in the past. This is caused by a multitude of things. First, we are dealing with many more juveniles and each juvenile case requires a tremendous amount of time. Second, the system in place to help our young citizens is an extremely overworked and complicated system.

No matter what is involved, this section of law enforcement is so important that we must take the time necessary to handle the matter correctly. These juveniles are our citizens and our future.

Last, we must address the amount of motor vehicle traffic in our small community. I must admit that when I started this job, I thought there was a lot more traffic going through Grantham than most people realized. I must tell you that the increase in the amount of traffic has surpassed even my predictions. The number of residents in Old Farms as well as Eastman over the past few years has been staggering. In addition to the increase in resident traffic, we must also consider the increase in motorists utilizing the interstate which runs through our town.

All growth has an immediate impact on the department and the officers. As the workload and calls for service increase, the department must prioritize. The department remains staffed the same while the number, seriousness, and complexity of the cases continues to increase.

In closing, as we continue to protect and serve the Town of Grantham, we must be ever mindful of new challenges. We must always be prepared to provide residents with the professional and adequate police coverage to which they have become accustomed, as well as providing the officers with achievable goals and expectations, as well as the safest working conditions possible.

Respectfully submitted,
Russell E. Lary
Grantham Chief of Police



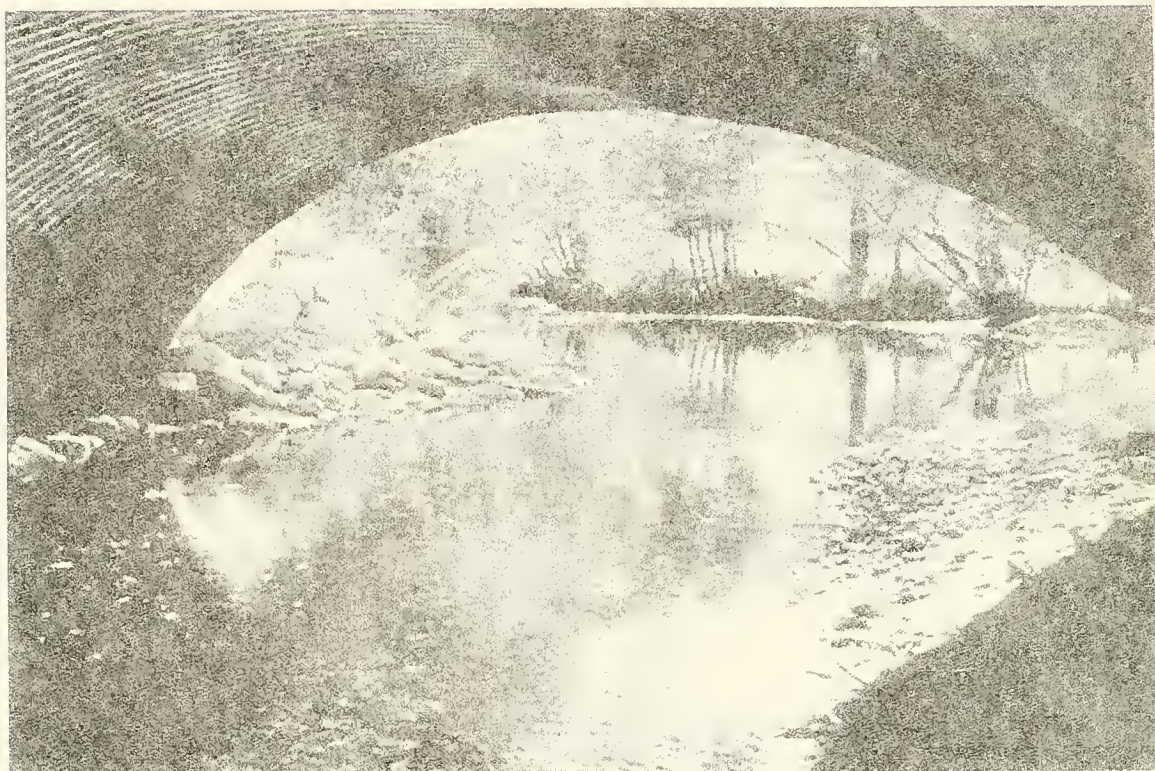
**POLICE 1997 ACTIVITY REPORT**

CODE	INCIDENT	TOTAL	CODE	INCIDENT	TOTAL
0001	Previously Reported Incident	0001	9807	Motor Vehicle Unlock	0018
1000	Kidnapping	0001	9808	House Check	0049
1313	Simple Assaults	0001	9809	Alarm — Business	0105
1316	Assaults Intimidation Threatening	0002	9810	Motor Vehicle Stop	0272
2200	Burglary	0002	9811	Noise Complaint	0002
2201	Criminal Trespass	0003	9812	Public Assist	0024
2300	Theft	0011	9813	Motorist Assist	0010
2305	Theft from Autos	0004	9816	Requests Information	0001
2308	Larceny from Buildings	0005	9817	Arrest Log Information	0001
2309	Theft from Open Areas	0010	9819	DWI Complaint	0002
2399	Larceny (All Others)	0006	9824	Criminal Records Check	0004
2400	Motor Vehicle Theft	0002	9827	Ambulance/Medical Call	0080
2500	Forgery & Counterfeiting	0003	9828	Wrecker Call	0004
2600	Fraud	0001	9830	Traffic Tie-up — Road Obstruction	0007
2606	Insufficient Funds/No Acct Checks	0011	9832	Tree on Wires - Non-fire/Road Obst	0011
2900	Vandalism/Criminal Mischief	0020	9839	Escort	0001
3601	Juvenile Sexual Assault	0002	9841	Suspicious Vehicle	0021
4100	Liquor Offenses	0006	9844	Suspicious Person/Prowler	0018
4800	Obstructing Police (False Report)	0001	9847	Explosion	0001
5309	Harassment Complaints	0005	9861	Domestic	0008
5310	Stalking	0001	9866	Shots Fired	0001
9002	Speeding	0223	9871	Fish & Game	0001
9010	Child Restraints	0001	9876	Disabled Motor Vehicle	0071
9015	Equipment Violation — Auto	0024	9877	Dog Complaint	0030
9052	Reckless Operation	0003	9878	Animal Complaint	0013
9049	Operating w/o License	0003	9879	Missing Person	0005
9054	Stop Sign/Yield Sign	0008	9880	Runaway	0001
9059	Uninspected M/V	0002	9881	Juvenile Domestic Problem	0004
9060	Operating Left of Center	0001	9900	Misc. Officer Incidents (Other)	0002
9064	Unregistered Vehicle	0001	9901	Warrants Served for Other Agency	0002
9067	Operating After Rev/Susp w/o Lic.	0005	9906	Papers Served	0006
9068	Transporting Alcoholic Beverages	0005	9907	Subpoena Served	0001
9069	OHRV on Public Way	0002	9910	Administrative Relay/Other relay	0004
9302	Lost Animals	0013	9912	Check of Open Doors	0003
9303	Lost Property	0003	9913	Check of Open Windows	0001
9312	Found Animals	0001	9914	Check of Insecure Premise	0001
9313	Found Property	0011	9915	Assist to State Police	0023
9314	Abandoned Vehicles	0003	9916	Assist Other Municipal Depts.	0029
9400	Motor Vehicle Accidents (All)	0067	9917	Assist Other Agency	0011
9600	Fires — Other than Listed	0019	9919	Request Pistol Permit	0009
9601	Fires (Single Dwelling)	0003	9921	Checkup	0001
9606	Fires (Vehicle)	0006	9923	Police Information "and/or" BOL's	0016
9722	Unattended Death	0001	9924	Check the Welfare of	0003
9730	Sick cared for/Medical Emergency	0001	9926	911 Hangup/Trace	0023
9800	Misc. Complaints — Other	0019	9927	Civil Standby	0002
9801	Residence Alarm	0077	9928	Sex Offender Registration	0002
9802	Bank Alarm	0009			
9803	Vehicle Off Road — Non-accident	0024	AGENCY GRAND TOTAL		1,542
9804	M/V Complaint	0034			





ROAD AGENT



This was the autumn view of the Sugar River from underneath the bridge on Cote Road while checking for Trolls and/or Billy Goats Gruff. None located. Photographer emerged unscathed.

Once again I would like to thank everyone for their patience and cooperation, especially during the winter months. I would also thank the selectmen and the town administrator for their support and guidance throughout the year.

This summer, Bouldervale Road and Miller Pond Road were paved. Draper Road and Olde Farms Road were shimmed and should be overlaid within the next two years. Regrinds were spread and sealed in Olde Farms and Dunbar Hill Road, covering almost one mile of gravel road. I believe this will provide a pavement-like surface at a fraction of the cost.

The parking lot at the town hall was expanded and after it has settled will be paved, providing more parking for both the town hall and church.

We built a road around the school and expanded that parking lot as well.

All together, approximately six weeks of my time was spent building parking lots this summer. So if you didn't see me much, that's my alibi.

The gravel portion of Cote Road was ditched, culverts replaced, and gravel spread. Portions of Olde Farms and Miller Pond Road were ditched and graveled also.

The 1998 Budget contains money for the complete reconstruction of the paved portion of Dunbar Hill Road. This is planned as a 2-year project. We hope you will support this effort at Town Meeting.

As always, if you have any suggestions or comments, feel free to contact me.

Respectfully,
Joe Newcomb
Grantham Road Agent



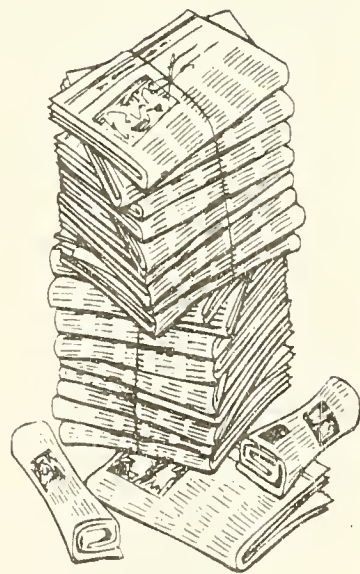
**RECYCLING****1997 RECYCLING STATISTICS**

MONTH 1997	GLASS	ALUM CANS	NEWSPRINT	CARDBOARD	PLASTIC	TIN	MAGAZINES
JANUARY			2,602.00	3,260.00	808.00	987.00	4,251.00
FEBRUARY	9,770.00	390.00	6,531.00	2,900.00	1,620.00	2,634.00	5,028.00
MARCH	10,380.00	320.00	4,088.00	1,300.00	795.00	1,098.00	2,014.00
APRIL			5,010.00	3,160.00	808.00	1,054.00	2,016.00
MAY	10,764.00	276.00	9,783.00	2,420.00	1,688.00	1,573.00	4,324.00
JUNE	11,685.00	328.00	6,820.00	1,736.00	808.00	2,862.00	4,678.00
JULY	11,003.00	197.00	6,935.00	2,176.00	808.00	2,373.00	4,243.00
AUGUST	8,900.00	320.00	8,492.00	4,260.00	810.00	1,431.00	3,657.00
SEPTEMBER	11,620.00	250.00	10,369.00	5,210.00	1,590.00	2,588.00	8,124.00
OCTOBER	6,480.00	72.00	6,928.00	4,940.00	840.00	380.00	7,072.00
NOVEMBER			1,230.00	5,000.00	798.00	43.00	8,047.00
DECEMBER	12,040.00	250.00	3,440.00	9,516.00	810.00	100.00	5,430.00
	92,642.00	2,403.00	72,228.00	45,878.00	12,183.00	17,123.00	58,884.00

PROCESSING FEE=\$31.80 PER TON

**1997 RECYCLING COST
TRANSPORTATION AND PROCESSING**

Month	# of Hauls	Haulage \$\$\$	Processing \$\$\$
January	6	613.58	189.34
February	6	723.31	459.08
March	4	516.65	317.92
April	4	619.98	191.56
May	8	929.97	490.17
June	7	1239.96	459.78
July	7	1136.63	440.99
August	6	1033.3	443.13
September	9	1446.62	632.03
October	5	516.65	424.72
November	4	413.32	240.38
December	5	516.65	502.22
Totals	71	9706.62	4791.32





SOLID WASTE



NEW HAMPSHIRE/VERMONT SOLID WASTE PROJECT REPORT

Both the Southern Windsor/ Windham Counties Solid Waste Management District and the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District saw many changes during 1997. Most notably, a concerted effort was made during the budget process for fiscal year 1998 to lower the tipping fee and create an economic incentive for delivery of trash from the member towns to the incinerator. This effort recognizes the dual obligation of the Districts: to ensure responsible management of the trash generated within the Districts, and to also meet their financial obligations. In the absence of a single, unified approach to guaranteeing delivery of trash for energy recovery by the Claremont plant, increasing the economic incentives for haulers to voluntarily deliver the trash was the next best tool available to us.

**1997
YEAR
END
REPORT**

Several operational changes were also made during 1997. The most significant change occurred at the landfill in Newport, NH. In early December,

additional tarps were placed on the open surfaces of the landfill. Leachate results from rainwater running through the body of the landfill, and covering the surface of the landfill is anticipated to significantly reduce the amount of leachate. It is anticipated this will result in substantial savings for the collection, transportation, and disposal of the leachate.

The year has been similar to many others, however, with regard to legal activities. During 1997 a substantial amount was spent on legal services, but the outcome will benefit all the members of each District. The single most significant issue to be resolved this year was the Acworth case. The New Hampshire Superior Court has determined that Acworth failed to properly withdraw from the Sullivan County Regional Refuse Disposal District, and is therefore still a member. A trial is set for early February 1998 to determine the calculation of damages, which is the single remaining issue.

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1997 COMMERCIAL & DEMOLITION DISPOSAL				
MONTH	LANDFILL TRIPS	HAUL COSTS	DISPOSAL COSTS	TONS DISPOSED
JANUARY	2	203.00	597.00	9.18
FEBRUARY	1	103.33	360.10	5.54
MARCH	1	103.33	305.50	4.70
APRIL	2	206.66	494.00	7.60
MAY	2	298.33	677.12	11.26
JUNE	5	516.65	1,867.45	28.73
JULY	4	413.32	1,592.50	21.50
AUGUST	4	413.32	1,053.00	16.20
SEPTEMBER	5	516.65	1,112.80	17.12
OCTOBER	3	309.99	828.10	12.74
NOVEMBER	1	103.33	273.00	4.20
DECEMBER	2	206.66	778.35	10.83
	32	3,394.57	9,938.92	149.60





SOLID WASTE COSTS & COMPARISONS



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COMPARISON OF INCINERATOR TRIPS

MONTH	1994	1995	1996	1997
January	7	4	6	6
February	5	5	5	6
March	8	4	5	5
April	8	4	6	5
May	7	5	7	6
June	8	5	6	5
July	10	8	7	7
August	9	6	8	9
September	9	6	6	7
October	7	6	7	7
November	5	6	5	6
December	7	5	7	5
Totals	90	64	75	74

COMPARISON OF LANDFILL TRIPS

MONTH	1994	1995	1996	1997
January	1	1	1	2
February	1	1	3	1
March	1	1	2	1
April	1	2	1	2
May	1	2	3	2
June	2	2	3	5
July	1	2	4	4
August	2	2	0	4
September	1	2	2	5
October	4	3	5	4
November	2	2	2	1
December	2	1	2	2
Totals	19	21	28	33

Looking toward the future, the Districts have successfully reduced the operating budget for 1998 by approximately 28%, down to \$3.17 million from \$4.4 million for 1997. This was largely due to the retirement of bonds and other non-recurring obligations. A new collections and credit management policy has been approved, which will be implemented with the new year and it is anticipated to be helpful in recovering significant portions of the existing receivables. Every effort continues to be made to find ways to minimize costs and remain fiscally responsive to the Districts.

On a more personal note, the last six months have been a professional pleasure for me. The collaborative spirit of the towns has been both refreshing and motivating. The challenges that remain are significant, but the opportunities for resolution make the challenges exciting. I would like to specifically thank the members of the Executive Committee and the individual representatives for their support, cooperation, and encouragement, and I look forward to working together during the coming year.

Mary E.S. Williams
Project Director

1997 SOLID WASTE COSTS

MONTH	# OF TRIPS	TONS	HAUL COSTS	DISPOSAL COSTS
JANUARY	6	63.22	1,022.70	4,470.59
FEBRUARY	5	54.90	861.15	3,928.25
MARCH	5	61.42	861.15	4,550.61
APRIL	6	67.63	1,033.38	4,800.29
MAY	5	65.90	861.15	4,476.52
JUNE	7	86.64	1,205.61	6,108.72
JULY	9	89.86	1,550.07	6,374.70
AUGUST	7	99.12	1,205.61	6,779.24
SEPTEMBER	7	80.86	1,205.61	4,827.70
OCTOBER	6	74.59	1,033.38	5,321.14
NOVEMBER	5	65.33	861.15	4,584.69
DECEMBER	7	61.65	1,205.61	4,567.65
TOTALS	75	871.12	12,906.57	60,790.10

EASTMAN DUMPSTER

58.24xDisposal per ton cost \$74.09=\$4,315.00

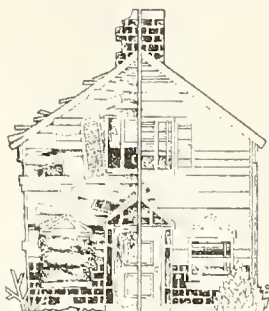




BUILDING INSPECTOR'S REPORT



TYPES OF CONSTRUCTION	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997
Residential Dwellings	22	28	22	24	25
Residential Additions & Renovations	34	14	15	13	8
Garages, Barns, & Sheds	25	27	25	21	20
Decks & Porches	22	14	24	17	13
Seasonal Camps	0	0	0	0	0
Manufactured Housing	1	3	1	2	0
In-ground Swimming Pools	0	1	0	0	0
Commercial	0	0	0	2	0
Commercial Additiona & Renovations	1	0	4	1	0
Signs	0	4	2	4	0
Dam	0	0	0	0	0
TOTALS	105	91	93	84	66



PLANNING BOARD



This past year was relatively quiescent for the Planning Board. There were 23 lot Mergers approved, four Site Plan Reviews conducted, eight conceptual reviews held, and one Minor Subdivision approved.

In addition, the Planning Board held several Public Hearings, the most significant of which was for review and discussion of proposed language changes in both the Subdivision Regulations and the Site Plan Review Regulations. The changes were modest and were in response to changes in New Hampshire law, e.g. the requirements for notifying abutters. These changes were approved at our October meeting and are incorporated in the latest editions of these two ordinances.

The Board adopted a set of procedural guidelines for processing Mergers at our June meeting. These will constitute a very useful internal operating document and will help ensure that "all bases are covered."

The March 1998 Warrant includes certain changes in the Grantham Zoning Ordinance as were recommended by the Zoning Board of Adjustment. The Planning Board, as New Hampshire law mandates, held a Public Hearing regarding these changes in January 1998. We endorse these ZBA recommendations.

In closing, may I express my pride in serving on this body with Members Carl Hanson (Vice Chairman), Tammi Wilson, and Allen Walker, as well as with Selectmen's Representative Chick Pillsbury and Alternates Ed MacNeill and Michele Daigle. Ed was appointed by the Board in June and Michele was appointed in December. Tina Hastings has done a fine job as our Recording Secretary since January 1997. Please share in this pride with me. All of my colleagues work in the best interests of our citizens and our town as a whole.

Bob Weiss
Chairman, Planning Board





CONSERVATION COMMISSION



The Conservation Commission held 10 regular monthly meetings and one special meeting in 1997. Commission membership changed with the resignation of Steve Hastings, moving away of Michael Simpson, and appointment of Peter Forest. Jerry Ellsworth was appointed as a member to replace David Frucht who was not reappointed by the Selectmen. The commission extends sincere appreciation to David for his knowledge, willingness to attend workshops to learn more, and his availability to help with numerous on site inspections.

Procedures for processing Cutting Plan Applications related to Article IV:A-7 Woodland Buffers of the Zoning Ordinance were developed. Ten plans were inspected and approved with appropriate recommendations. Copies of the permits with photographs have been added to the property files at the Town Office.

ZONING BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT

The following are cases reviewed in 1997 by the Zoning Board of Adjustment —

97 - 1 Maurice and Eleanor Reney requested a Special Exemption to Article VI Paragraph 3 for a continuation of "Grandfathered Clause". *The exemption was GRANTED.*

97 - 2 Gretel E. Cole requested a Variance to the terms of Article III Section 3 Paragraph 3. Case was continued for lack of information. Applicant did not apply for second hearing. *Case DISMISSED.*

97 - 3 Michael and Marion Simpson requested Variance to Article 1V Section D(1) & D(4). *The Variance was GRANTED.*

97 - 4 Reginald A. Field and Theresa M. Field requested an Appeal to the Selectmen's decision regarding Article V1. *Appeal was DENIED.*

Many thanks to the Board members and alternates for their diligent work and cooperation and to our clerk Sandy Palermo.

Respectfully,
Bud Hennigar, Chairperson

Three Wetlands Applications were inspected and recommendations made to the Wetlands Bureau. Two Driveway Permits were inspected and approved. Ten Intent to Cut applications were reviewed.

A mailing of information relative to the Shoreline Protection Act portion of the Zoning Ordinance and the need to file cutting plans was sent to property owners who are within the zone, which includes 250 feet from the shoreline of all public waters of 10 acres or more and streams and rivers of the 4th order or larger. A plan is required before removal of vegetation (trees, saplings, etc.) within the 150 foot protected area. The cost of this information packet mailing was \$419.24.

A Wood Duck Box was installed in the area of Mill Pond Island. Three boxes were inspected and evidence was found that one had been occupied by a duck.

Mr. Kent Eisentraut, present owner of Sherwood Forest, met with the Commission to get acquainted and to plan for the Commission's required inspection to verify that the Conservation Easements are being respected. The Commission did an inspection in the fall and were able to complete their tour of the boundaries and help Kent find the areas he had not visited. An inspection report has been added to the Monitoring File and a copy sent to the State of New Hampshire, LCIP supervisor, Peter Helm.

Funds voted by the Town Meeting from the Conservation Fund have not been released pending determination of where the recreation field will be located and receipt of a site plan for review by the Commission.

The Commission has purchased a measuring tape and Polaroid camera to assist members in doing site inspections.

Grantham Conservation Commission

Carl Hanson, *Chairman*

Jim Berg, *Vice Chairman*

Connie Howard, *Secretary/Treasurer*

Mike Holdowsky, *Monitoring Chairman*

Jerry Ellsworth, *Member*

Peter Forest, *Alternate*

Richard Hayes, *Alternate*

Russ Keat, *Alternate*





CONSERVATION FUNDS



TREASURER'S REPORT

December 31, 1997

Conservation Funds

Savings Account #021-002063 Lake Sunapee Bank	\$ 2,078.50	
Certificate of Deposit - #1000112530 LSB	14,461.58	
NHPDIP		15,461.61
Balance on hand, January 1, 1997		\$ 32,001.69

Funds designated as follows:

Youth Scholarships	\$ 537.08
Timber Fund	12,341.04
Brookside Park Fund	4,635.68
General Fund - undesignate	26.31
Current Use Change Taxes	14,461.58

Receipts: 1997 Interest Income

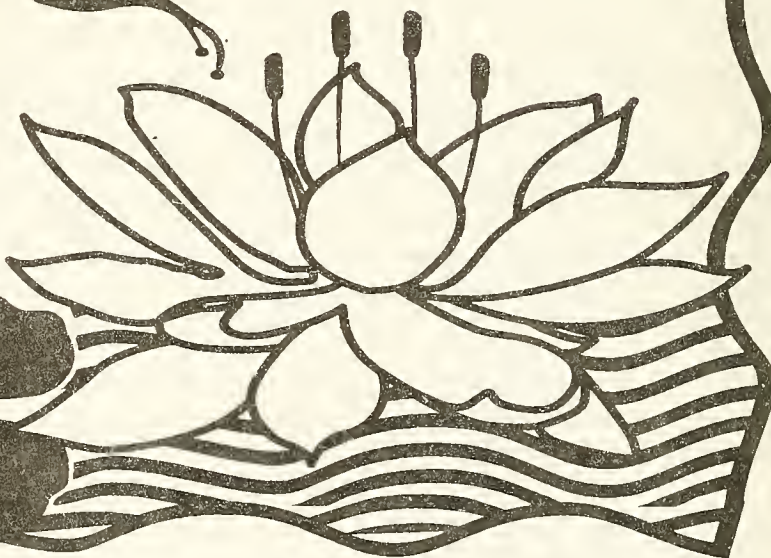
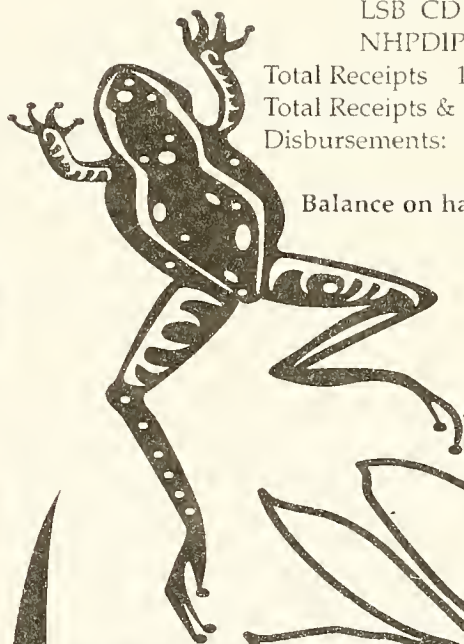
LSB Statement Savings	\$230.06
LSB CD	560.87
NHPDIP	822.77

Total Receipts 1,613.70

Total Receipts & Balance \$33,615.39

Disbursements: none

Balance on hand, December 31, 1997 \$33,615.39



**CONSERVATION FUNDS****CONSERVATION FUND SUMMARY: 12/31/97***Continued from previous page*

LSB Treasury acct.	\$17,331.01
NHPDIP	16,284.38
Total Conservation Fund	\$33,615.39

Breakdown of Conservation Funds: 12/31/97

Youth Scholarships	\$ 564.16
Town Forest Timber Fund	12,963.34
Brookside Park Fund	4,869.44
General Fund	27.64
Current Use	15,190.81**
Total Conservation Fund	\$33,615.39*

** \$13,000.00 of this was voted at the 1997 Town Meeting under Article 25 toward the development of a new recreation field subject to approval of a site plan to be provided to the Commission.

**SHERWOOD FOREST FUND****Easement Monitoring Fund**

Lake Sunapee Bank Acct. No. 0-21002756-0	\$ 124.3
NH PDIP Acct. No. NH-01-44-1	2,886.16
Balance on hand December 31, 199	\$3,010.52
Receipts: 1997 Interest Income	
LSB Statement Savings	\$ 4.55
NHPDIP	153.68
Total Receipts	\$ 158.23
Disbursements: 1997	-0-
Balance on hand December 31, 1997	\$3,168.75
Sherwood Forest Monitoring Fund Summary:	
LSB Statement Acct.	\$ 138.91
NHPDIP Acct	3,039.84
Total Sherwood Forest Monitoring Fund 12/31/97	\$3,168.75*

* These Account balances (from prior page) have been provided by Town Treasurer, Hank Robinson, 1/15/98

Respectfully submitted,
Connie Howard, Secretary/Treasurer
Grantham Conservation Commission





UVLS REGIONAL PLANNING



UPPER VALLEY LAKE SUNAPEE REGIONAL PLANNING COMMISSION

The Upper Valley Lake Sunapee Regional Planning Commission (UVLSRPC) is a voluntary association of 31 towns. The Commission is concerned with the development of comprehensive plans for beneficial and balanced economic, environmental, and social growth in the Region.

It functions as a research, resource, and informational agency and, when appropriate, acts to obtain Federal, State and other approvals, grants-in-aid, loans and similar assistance for individual member towns and for the Region. The Commission provides technical assistance to member communities in the areas of planning (land use, transportation, water quality, etc.), mapping, community development, grantsmanship and grant administration.

In addition, regional studies, such as our Regional Transportation Plan, and regional projects, such as household hazardous waste collections and the Connecticut River Scenic Byway Study, are undertaken to the benefit of more than one community.

Thanks are due to both the Vermont and New Hampshire legislatures for their continued sup-

port. In New Hampshire, the Department of Environmental Services and the regional planning commissions are putting together a statewide environmental program which will require that certain specific tasks be completed in every region, but also allows some funds to be used on regional environmental priorities. Details are still being worked out. A work plan will be finalized in early 1998.

This is great news! It enables our Commission to continue our commitment to environmental programs. In addition to providing staff support to the Economic Development Corporation of the Upper Valley, we were able to secure funds to develop a two-page economic summary for each town which will be posted in the Internet. In 1998, each community in the Region will have an Internet presence via our web page with community information, economic data, a map, statistics and an economic vision statement.

In the past year, services such as our Planning Board training series and library, which features maps, planning resources and US Census data, were available to all of our member communities. Grantham residents have taken advantage of some of these services.

GRANTHAM UVLSRPC SERVICES IN 1997

- Provided floodplain information to an appraiser.
- Sent a copy of Auger's *Does Open Space Pay?*
- Provided demographic information about Grantham.
- Applied for funds to assist water suppliers in identifying technical assistance needs relative to protection of current and future water supply sources.
- Completed traffic counts on Dunbar Hill Road, NH Route 110 and Old Farm Road, and at two locations on NH Route 10.
- Participated in SPNHF Advisory Committee working to design a state program for assisting water suppliers with protection of land within a water supply area.
- Compiled area and population data for communities served by the Upper Valley Land Trust.
- Facilitated meeting for defining a master planning process for Eastman community.
- Spoke to community group about the importance of ongoing long-range planning.
- Met with community groups to discuss results of the road surface management study completed by our transportation planner.
- Obtained and processed data to develop town-wide composite GIS soil type map, plotted a copy for the Town and set up a soil attribute file which was used to develop a map of hydric soils.
- Maintained geographic information system data for Grantham.

Our Commission looks forward to serving Grantham in the coming year.





UVLSRPC MEMBER SERVICES



UVLSRPC SERVICES WHICH BENEFIT ALL MEMBER COMMUNITIES

- Assist residents of member communities as, and when, asked.
- Meet with state officials and agency representatives to influence policy and to help keep the Region an active participant in many ongoing programs. This includes activity with transportation, solid waste, economic development, and environmental regulatory agencies in both New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Maintain a library of regional data, maps and planning resources, and answer many requests for information.
- Use the Geographical Information System (GIS) to perform mapping and analyses for member communities.
- Assist the Upper Valley Solid Waste District in dealing with solid waste issues. Provide general staff support for the District.
- Organize and administer regional household hazardous waste collections.
- Provide administrative support for the Upper Valley Household Hazardous Waste Committee.
- Work in cooperation with the Sullivan County Economic Development Commission.
- Serve on the Green Mountain Economic Development Corporation and the Economic Development Corporation of the Upper Valley (EDCUV) boards of directors.
- Provide staff and office space to EDCUV.
- Began a new program which provides economic development assistance to towns and businesses in Grafton County.
- Sponsor local sessions of the NH Municipal Law Lecture Series.
- Provide technical assistance to Advance Transit and Rideshare.
- Use the Regional Transportation Advisory Committee to develop regional policies and recommendations for the Regional Transportation Plan.
- Provide data about our regional build-out analysis which forecasts the population and number of dwellings in the Region when totally built out.
- Revise and update the Regional Plan.
- Comply with applicable Vermont Act 200 requirements at the local, regional and state level, including participation in the Council of Regional Commissions.
- Participate in Vermont Act 250 reviews and review of development of regional impact in New Hampshire.
- Sponsor planning board training sessions in New Hampshire and Vermont.
- Work with Upper Valley Land Trust and the Society for the Protection of NH Forests to protect open space and conserve important parcels of land.
- Participate in and work with the Connecticut River Joint Commissions.
- Review land use controls and master plans, and suggest amendments.
- Produce our newsletter to provide information about planning issues and other topics of regional concern.
- Organize a monthly brown bag lunch for selectmen and town managers where regional and local issues are discussed on an informal basis.
- Update the Regional Profile, a compendium of information about the Region. Many businesses use this resource.
- Focus on the regional economy through our Economic Initiative Project.





ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT



SULLIVAN COUNTY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COUNCIL — SCEDC

The activities of the Sullivan County Economic Development Council for the year 1997 were as follows:

HIGHLIGHTS

A. Access and financing of a new 9,000 sq. foot manufacturing facility in Charlestown for Optical Solutions, Inc. This is a hi-tech firm specializing in the production of high-end optics. The project creates 15 new positions for Sullivan County.

B. The creation of project "Clearinghouse" represents the County's attempt at accessing more and better qualified employees to meet the growing demands of the local businesses. This process gives local industry access to the Department of Defense's Website seeking 'discharged' personnel from the armed forces.

C. SCEDC has been successful in joining seven area banks together to agree to finance 'high risk' projects within the County. This pool of money is currently funded at \$650,000.

D. SCEDC's Business Assistant Coordinator has finished surveys with about 70% of the County's businesses. The results to-date reveal the creation of 430 new positions and the addition of another 101,000 sq. feet of taxable facilities.

E. We have filed a Community Development Block grant for the Claremont Foundry, Inc., in the amount of \$450,000 to add electric generating equipment and add another 47 jobs at the Foundry.

F. Secured the pertinent information and assisted in the Community Development Block Grant

process with the Town of Charlestown to access a grant in the amount of \$500,000 to fund the construction of a new access road into CEDA Park. This is backed by the support of both Precision Assembly Corporation and Design Standards Incorporated who pledged future job creation and plant expansions to meet the leverage needs of the grant process.

G. Our referrals and coordination with the Small Business Development Officer which SCEDC funds here in our office has worked with more than 40 new and developing businesses within the County. Many of them will eventually come in for financial assistance or advice from SCEDC.

H. SCEDC continues to work with the Trout Lily Co-op project in Newport. We believe that this project has great merit and tremendous potential for the intended service area. It is also our intent to apply for another Community Development Block Grant to aid this group in its start-up financing needs during 1998.

I. During 1997, SCEDC worked with over 22 new, expanding and interested businesses to make determinations on the future directions of their companies as they affect Sullivan County. Some of those will expand here or locate here and some will never finalize.

Our efforts in accessing good paying jobs and the creation of additional tax base seems to be paying off. Best wishes for a Prosperous New Year.

Stephen A. Marro, CMC, EDFP
Executive Director





DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY



I would like to take this opportunity to thank the Dunbar Free Library Board of Trustees, Friends of the Library, Staff, Volunteers and Grantham's other departments and boards. Without their dedication, commitment, support, time and gifts the library would not have been able to provide the level of service it did.

For 1997, it was another year of growth for the Dunbar Free Library. We circulated 3,803 more items that we did in 1996. This is a growth of slightly over 15% in one year. The number of patrons who passed through our door increased by 20% from 1996. In 1997, 12,322 people used the library as compared to 9,846 in 1996.

We were extremely relieved to have switched over to the computer June 2. Thank you for your understanding and bearing with us the two weeks we closed to finish the retrospective conversion of the collection. Without the computer system up and running we would not have been able to access the collection as well or keep up with the circulation.

One interesting feature is the events section, take a look on your next visit. We are also able to notify patrons to remind them of overdue materials which is a great help to us and our patrons. Do not hesitate to ask us for instructions or help in how to use it. We are more than happy to assist you.

PROGRAMS

The library sponsored several programs in 1997. Anita Shreve, a nationally renown author spoke about her work in February. Mr. & Mrs. Richard DeNatale and Jutta Cords gave a travelogue on their trip to the Yucatan to a group of 45. Jody Scalise, mime and juggler extraordinary, performed at Old Home Day to a crowd of around 200.

In the spring several classes from the Grantham Village School visited the library. We gave them a tour and told them about the Summer Reading Program.

"Take Us to Your Readers" was the Summer Reading Program theme this year, in which 84 children participated. Joe Newcomb, your road agent, brought over the town dump truck for the children and adults to check out. Chief Russell Lary came and spoke of his police work. Donnie Barton gave an informative tour of the Fire Station and hosted the Grand Finale! Many thanks to Myron Cummings for honoring the children by distributing their certificates and awards.

LIBRARY HOURS

Monday & Wednesday

9:00-12:00

12:30-4:30

6:30-8:30

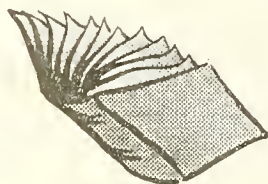
Thursday

9:00-12:00

12:30-5:00

Friday & Saturday

9:00-12:00



IMPROVEMENTS

This year we enlarged the circulation desk and added two office chairs. The increased work space has aided us in our work flow and enabled us to perform our work and serve you more effectively.

The new photocopier we have on lease has been wonderful. The enlarging and reducing capabilities have been very useful for our patrons and the library. Over 13,000 copies have been made! All moneys generated by the photocopier go towards its supplies.

During 1997, we worked at improving the following adult sections: health/medical, travel, gardening, home improvement, computers, low-fat cooking, hobbies and fiction. We now have the Reader's Guide to Periodical Literature on CD-ROM as well as a Travel Tripmaker.

We worked on improving the collection of easy readers and beginning chapter books. We added

fiction, works on hobbies, history, geography, biographies and a series called "Current Controversies" to the young adult and picture book collections.

Several NOVA series were purchased to augment the video collection. We also added family and adult movies.

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DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY

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THE FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY

The Friends of The Library have had another busy year! Thanks to your support their fundraising went well. Their plant sale was an overwhelming success. They were astounded the plants sold out as quickly as they did and are revamping their plans accordingly for next year. The second fashion show was well attended and received as was the Cookie Walk at Grantham Old Home Day and their Bridge Night.

Many people enjoyed Allen Koop's presentation of "Darby Field and The First Ascent of Mt. Washington" and Patrick Anderson's presentation of "Sennett, Keaton, Chaplin and the Art of Silent Comedy". These programs were supported by The Friends of The Dunbar Free Library and The New Hampshire Humanities Council.

Once again, the Friends of the Library under-

wrote our Summer Reading Program. They purchased the prizes for the Feeley Box and Guessing Games, tee shirts, certificates and awards. We would also like to take this opportunity to thank The Store for supplying the ice cream for the "Grand Finale".

The Friends of the Dunbar Free Library give a book to the library for every baby born or adopted in town and to every child 14 and under who registers to use the library for the first time. This year The Friends gave the library 56 books!

The Holiday Open House at the library was supported by The Friends. Holidays are always a good time to count your blessings and The Friends have truly blessed the Library with their generosity this year. They gave \$1,000 towards the future library expansion, replaced the computer work station in the Children's Room and the new stacks they purchased

arrived and were installed last winter! Whenever we have been met with a possible problem they have been there to help us and we thank each and every friend.

If you want to know more about your library or the Friends of the Dunbar Free Library call 863-2172, and we will do our best to assist you. See you at your library.

Respectfully Submitted,
Allisen E. Heath, Librarian



CIRCULATION	1996	1997
Adult	10,164	14,107
Juvenile	9,562	11,157
Other	1,814	79
Total	21,540	25,343



LIBRARY TRUSTEES

The best year in the history of the library was 1997. Circulation, our best measure of community interest and involvement, was up 18% at 25,343.

We welcomed Allen Walker as our newest Trustee in April. He's been a real asset and represents us at the Friends' meetings. In April we were saddened by the death of Joyce Andrews, a loyal friend, supporter, and Trustee. We established the Joyce Andrews Memorial Flower Fund as she had asked that in lieu of flowers, memorial donations be directed to the library for flowers and plantings. Over the year \$4,760 was given to the library in her memory. We have added new plantings and fixed up the lily beds and lawn.

Our Volunteer Coffee in June was well attended as was our second Travelogue program in August. The program was presented by Dick DeNatale on The Yucatan Peninsula.

A major portion of our year was spent working on plans for an addition. In August we engaged Norman Hess of Advancement Resources to conduct a feasibility study in connection with the possibility of an expansion. The study was completed in November giving us a clearer picture of the potential for success and the

direction we need to take for the Phase II addition.

A Building Committee was formed with Jack Andrews as chairman. They will be working hard in 1998 to move our project forward for a presentation to the town in May 1999.

As always, we have many warm thanks for the continual support and generosity of THE FRIENDS. They were

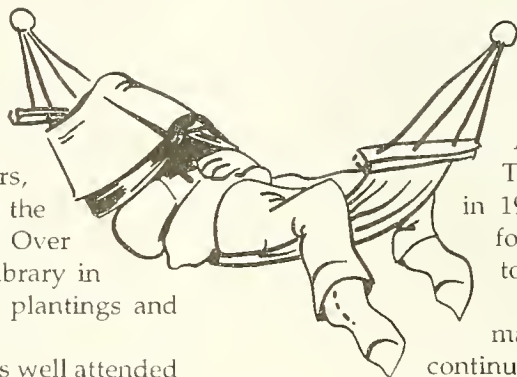
very busy with marvelous fundraising events this past year to help support the library programs. In total they gave the library \$3,650 which included money for shelving, computer programming, and adding to our CD building fund. We also received several nice gifts from other patrons either for the Building Fund or for other related library items.

Thanks to Sandy Noordsy who keeps us decorated for the seasonal holidays, Katie Winner who keeps our ongoing art display so attractive, and Bud Hennigar who keeps repairing, painting, and helping us with many projects.

A special thanks to our wonderful librarian, Allisen Heath, who keeps the show running so smoothly; and her very capable assistant, Joey Holmes. Last but not least, a special thanks to all our many volunteers who give of their time to support the library not only with their volunteer hours, but by attending our programs and helping us in so many other ways.

Thank you to the Grantham community for continuing to support our programs and taking the time to visit the library and encourage us to keep growing.

M. Suzanne Lower, Chairperson
Dunbar Free Library Trustees



DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY CIRCULATION FIGURES

Month	1996	1997
January	1388	2046
February	1523	1826
March	1389	1873
April	1392	1580
May	1610	1977
June	2118	2082
July	2749	3027
August	2271	2936
September	1849	2202
October	1858	2288
November	1592	1903
December	1590	2261
Totals	21,329	26,001

*In 1997, 12,322+ people visited the
Dunbar Library.*



**LIBRARY TRUSTEES****TREASURER'S REPORT FOR THE YEAR 1997**

YEAR END 1996 BALANCE	\$3,567.08
1997 INCOME	
Now Interest	\$ 30.09
Copier	794.58
Fines	1,286.84
Non-resident Fees	161.00
Lost Books(Reimbursed)	142.70
Reimbursement from Volunteers	406.07
Gifts	3,065.00
Miscellaneous	329.63
Transfer from Andrews Fund	837.92
Book Sale	46.21
Sub-Total	\$7,100.04
Total	\$10,667.12
1997 EXPENSES	\$5,348.49
YEAR END 1997 BALANCE	\$5,318.63

OTHER LIBRARY ACCOUNTS:

1. 3-mo.CD maturing 3/22/98	\$7,781.00
2. Joyce Andrews Memorial Fund	3,946.90
3. Dunbar Free Library Building Fund	211.85

ADDITIONAL FUNDS RECEIVED DURING 1997:

1. \$1,000 for addition to CD from Friends of Dunbar Library
2. \$ 450 for Computer program from Friends of Dunbar Library
3. \$2,500 gift from Leonard Wein

DUNBAR FREE LIBRARY OPERATING ACCOUNT:

Period ending January 1997-December 1997

Budgeted:	\$56,285.00
Expenditures:	\$55,218.74
Balance:	\$1,066.26

Submitted by Charles A. Pearce,
Treasurer





HEALTH OFFICER



The Health Officer is happy to report that the Town of Grantham has had NO problems. There are however, a few things that I would like to take this opportunity to bring to everyone's attention.

RABIES

We still have to be on the alert for the Rabid Animal. It is imperative that all dogs and cats be vaccinated, and that the vaccinations are repeated as per their veterinarians routine. We have three types of Rabies — the Midatlantic in raccoons, Silvan in bats, and the Fox strain.

It is imperative that you do not attract wild animals by feeding or allowing them access to your garbage. It is also important not to approach dogs or cats that are acting strange or are unknown to you. Any unprovoked attack by an animal must be suspect. The saliva is the usual source of infection. Do not attempt to pick up any road kill. The spinal cord and brain tissue harbor the virus. Seek medical attention immediately if you are exposed.

IRON & MANGANESE

Iron and Manganese have been a problem in some of the town's water supply. Unlike primary drinking water regulations, these two elements along with 13 others are under "Secondary Water Regulation". These regulations are NOT designed to protect public health, but provide guidelines to protect public welfare regarding Taste, Odor, Color and other aesthetic aspects which do not present a health risk. The level of iron suggested is 0.3mg/1 and for manganese 0.05mg/1.

Most housewives have been shocked by the color of their white laundry. Chlorine bleach will tend to fix the stain. There are compounds such as Rit's Rust

Remover and Rust-Be-Gone that will take most of the stains out.

FLU TYPE A

As of this writing, the new flu type A (H5N1) found in China has not gotten to the USA. There is some concern that the improper disposal of the chickens may tend to increase the possibility that they may contaminate dogs and cats scrounging in the garbage and posing a new vector source. The CDC has sent representatives to China to study the entire problem. New Hampshire Department of Health will be notifying everyone if any new initiatives are to be taken. Contact your personal physician if you have any questions regarding influenza.

SEPTIC CAUTIONS

Septic systems should be maintained correctly so as to prevent costly repairs. The inspection of the tank and pumping when necessary is extremely important. Kitchen sink garbage disposals increase the solid waste in your tank.

The collection and disposal of kitchen waste at our "Mount Trashmore" is much more advantageous. NEVER dispose of these chemicals in your septic system: gasoline, motor oil, anti-freeze, paints, varnishes, paint thinners, medicines, pesticides, herbicides, fungicides, photographic chemicals. Not only do they prevent proper decomposition of the sludge, but eventually can contaminate your drinking water. Using copious amounts of water at any one time can overload your system. This is called hydraulic overload. A help is to wash dishes and do laundry with a full load.

Respectfully Submitted,
Kenneth J. Kerwin MD, Health Officer





VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

The Grantham Volunteer Fire Department responded to 81 calls in 1997, up 19 from 1996. The following is a breakdown of these incidents:

Alarms/Investigations	24
Auto Accidents/Fires	21
Brush/Debris Fires	6
Chimney	3
Electrical	8
Hazardous Materials/CO Investigations	8
Rescues/Searches	3
Structure Fires	3
Other	1
Total Calls	81

Brush fires continue to be down, but we do still have an occasional problem with unpermitted burns. Please remember that unless the ground around the burn area is completely snow covered, you must have a permit to burn, even if it is raining. To obtain a permit, please contact Fire Warden Ken Barton or Chief Michael Traegde.

We continue to have a significant number of automobile accident and fire scenes, primarily on the interstate. Again this year we assisted the FAST Squad in utilizing the DHART helicopter.

Our goals for 1998 are to continue to progress our training programs, serve the emergency needs of our community, and maintain the department and its equipment to be ready to respond.

On behalf of all the fire department officers and members, thank-you for your continued support. Have a safe 1998!

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Traegde, Chief
Grantham Fire Department



FIRE DEPARTMENT OFFICERS

Chief

Michael Traegde

Deputy Chief

James Mutney

Captains

Michael Benoit & Bob Seavey

Lieutenants

Chris Palermo & Doug Fountain

Training Officers

Chris Palermo & Mike Benoit

Supply Officers

Doug Demers, Bob Coburn, & Mike Palermo

Fire Police

Donald Barton, Jr.

Secretary

Robin Palermo





F.A.S.T. SQUAD



The Grantham F.A.S.T. Squad responded to 42 calls in 1997 both independently and in response with the Fire Department. This is a decrease of nine from 1996. The following is a breakdown of the types of calls we attended:

Neurological	6
Motor Vehicle Accidents	11
Poisoning/Overdose	1
Baby!	1
Respiratory/Cardiovascular	10
Mutual Aid to Fire Dept.	2
Diabetic	1
Orthopedic/Falls	3
Choking	1
Miscellaneous Medical	6

Again this year we utilized DHART for one call on I-89. For all our other calls, we continue to utilize Newport Ambulance except for an occasional highway call where we assist other crews called to the scene.

Our membership currently stands at five certi-

fied EMTs. Two First Responders have re-certified this year and are awaiting re-licensure. This is a decrease of three members from last year. If you are interested in joining the squad, we really need you!!! The minimum requirement is a NH First Responder Provider license. We would be happy to provide you with a list of courses in the state and we have a reimbursement policy. Please contact the town office and they can direct you to someone to call for assistance.

Through some very generous memorial donations, we are hoping to run some educational courses here in town in 1998. We will be offering these to both members and area agencies. Another goal of ours for this year is to run a community CPR course. Stay tuned to the access channels for more information.

We thank the townspeople and officials for your continued support and wish you a safe and healthy 1998!

Respectfully submitted,
Michael Traegde & Robin Palermo
Grantham F.A.S.T. Squad

NEWPORT AMBULANCE SERVICE



During the period January 1, 1997, through December 15, 1997, this department responded to 92 calls for service in the Town of Grantham, compared to 70 calls handled in calendar 1996.

On December 12 we put our new ambulance into service, replacing a 1984 van. We continue to operate two primary vehicles with a third ambulance available for backup as needed. Our staffing includes two paramedics, six EMT-Intermediates, and seven EMT-Basics. All attendants are certified in use of our cardiac monitor/defibrillator.

State law requires that we transport to the closest appropriate facility for emergency patient care. This means, in most cases, New London or Valley Regional hospitals. In certain circumstances, we

may transport to Dartmouth Hitchcock, depending on location of the call and nature of the injury or illness.



As the 911 EMS provider for five communities, we will handle over 1,000 emergencies this year. We hope you don't require our services, but you may rest assured that if you should need us, we will respond in a timely and professional manner.

We wish to thank the citizens, and the emergency service providers of Grantham for their continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Brian W. Tracy, Director
Newport Ambulance Service





FIRE WARDEN



TOWN FOREST FIRE WARDEN & STATE FOREST RANGER

To aid your Forest Fire Warden, Fire Department and State Forest Ranger, contact your local Warden or Fire Department to find out if a permit is required.

Violations of RSA 227-L:17, the fire permit law, and the other burning laws of the State of New Hampshire are misdemeanors punishable by fines of up to \$2,000 and/or a year in jail. Violators are also liable for all fire suppression costs.

There are 10 Forest Rangers who work for the New Hampshire Division of Forests and Lands, Forest Protection Bureau. State Forest Rangers are available to assist communities with forest fire suppression, prevention and training programs as well as the enforcement of forest fire and timber harvest laws. If you have any questions regarding forest fire or timber harvest laws, please call our office at 271-2217.



There are 2,400 Forest Fire Wardens and Deputy Forest Fire Wardens throughout the state. Each town has a Forest Fire Warden and several Deputy Wardens who assist the Forest Rangers with forest fire suppression, prevention, and law enforcement. The 1997 fire season was a safe period for wildland firefighters with no major injuries reported.

The drought conditions experienced during the early summer months were a significant factor resulting in the total number of fires reported during the season.

The State of New Hampshire operates 15 fire towers, two mobile patrols and three contract aircraft patrols. This early detection and reports from citizens aid in the quick response from local fire departments. This is a critical factor in controlling the size of wildland fires and keeping the loss property and suppression costs as low as possible.

1997 NEW HAMPSHIRE FIRE STATISTICS

(All Fires Reported thru December 23, 1997)

FIRES REPORTED BY COUNTY

Belknap	58
Carroll	96
Cheshire	63
Coos	29
Grafton	51
Hillsborough	145
Merrimack	148
Rockingham	54
Strafford	63
Sullivan	19

TOTAL FIRES 726
TOTAL ACRES 177.17

CAUSES OF FIRES REPORTED

Smoking	54
Debris Burning	261
Campfire	99
Power Line	33
Railroad	3
Equipment Use	23
Lightning	14
Children	60
Miscellaneous	130
Incendiary	33
Fireworks	16

Douglas C. Miner
Forest Ranger

Kenneth Barton
Forest Fire Warden





SOUTHWESTERN COMMUNITY

SUMMARY OF VALUE OF SERVICES

CHILD CARE/EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

Head Start \$6,339.00

NUTRITION/HEALTH PROGRAMS: \$8,299.80

Women, Infants, & Children's Program (WIC)

6,970.80

Commodity Supplemental Food 1,104.00

Eldercare 195.00

Emergency Food Assistance 30.00

ENERGY PROGRAMS: \$4,125.00

Fuel Assistance Program 3,500.00

Fuel Assistance Case Management Program

625.00

UTILITY PROGRAM: \$ 150.00

Neighbor Helping Neighbor 150.00

Total number of Households served: 23

Total number of Residents served: 48

Average benefit per Household: \$ 510.60

Average benefit per Resident: \$ 256.62

Note: The economic impact amount in this report is solely based on direct assistance dollars and doesn't include payroll dollars.

CHILDCARE - EDUCATION PROGRAMS:

HEADSTART: \$6,339.00

Number of households enrolled 1

Number of children enrolled 1

Costs per child \$6,339.00

NUTRITION - HEALTH PROGRAMS:

WOMEN, INFANTS, & CHILDREN (WIC)

\$6,970.00

Number of households enrolled 6

Number of consumers enrolled 13

Number of women enrolled 2

Number of children enrolled 11

COMMODITY SUPPLEMENTAL FOODS

DISTRIBUTION PROGRAM: \$1,104.00

ELDERCARE PROGRAM: \$ 195.00

Number of household enrolled 1

Number of consumers enrolled 1

EMERGENCY FOOD ASSISTANCE PROGRAM:

\$ 30.00

Number of households enrolled 1

Number of consumers enrolled 3

Number of elders enrolled 1

OUR THANKS TO GRANTHAM

Dear Residents of Grantham,

Southwestern Community Services would like to thank the residents of Grantham for your continued support of our efforts to serve the needs of our local communities.

During the past year we have delivered a variety of direct services to 48 citizens of Town of Grantham. The value of these services totaled \$18,913.00. These were comprised of Head Start, Women Infants & Children (WIC), Fuel Assistance, Weatherization, Eldercare, and The Commodity Food Program.

Due to the local support we receive, we are able to conduct the outreach necessary to deliver these services. SCS welcomes any comments or inquiries and invites you to call and schedule a visit to our offices to learn more about what we are all about.

Thank you again for your consideration.

Sincerely, David W. Osgood, Deputy Director
Southwestern Community Services, Inc.

Number of children enrolled 1

ENERGY PROGRAMS: \$4,125.00

FUEL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM (FAP) 3,500.00

Number of households applying 9

Number households eligible/enrolled 7

Number elderly households enrolled 3

Number of consumers enrolled 19

Number elderly consumers enrolled 4

Average benefit per household \$500.00

FUEL ASSISTANCE CASE MANAGEMENT:

Number of households enrolled 1 \$ 625.00

Number of consumers enrolled 4

UTILITY PROGRAMS: \$ 150.00

Number of households enrolled 1

Number of consumers enrolled 4

EMERGENCY - TRANSITIONAL SHELTER

PROGRAM \$ 400.00

Number of households enrolled 1

Number of consumers enrolled 1

Number of lodging/bed nights 45

Number of case management hours 10

Value of case management hours \$ 400.00





RECREATION



GO, GRANTHAM!



CHAMPIONS!

This year's minor league Bluejays team is pictured here. Reading from left to right: *Front Row:* A.J. Zogbhi, Mike Hastings, Matt Daigle, Jared Fisher, & Nick Masterson.

Standing: Shaun Hastings, Kristian MacPherson, Cameron Shepherd, Ryan Dyke, Tim Dazet, Dave Chaput and Max Shepherd.

Missing: Daniel Davidson & Eric Covill. *Back Row:* Assistant Coach, Phil Chaput, Coach, Jimmy Peirce, & Base Coach, Phil Masterson. *Recreation photo*

1997 BASEBALL SEASON

Our baseball program once again was a huge success. Everything runs smoothly, thanks to our many volunteers and helpful parents who answer our many calls for help.

The Town extends its congratulations to the minor league "Bluejays," who in their third year in the Kearsarge Valley Little League won their Division Title and League Championship. This team represented ages 8 through to 10, and is pictured above.

The major league in their second year in the Kearsarge Valley Little League played their season out and placed second in their division and League Champions. This division is for children aged 9 through to 12. Players on this year's team were: Doug & Dave Valcourt, Greg Dyer, Matt Ruby, Craig Shepherd, Tad Wentzell, Jim Bresse, Wayne Pillsbury, Zach Hawkins, Ryan Gallien, Mark Stadtmiller, and Andrew Gilson. Coaches were Dan and Karen Valcourt.

Our other teams improved and continued to learn all during the year.

BASEBALL ALL-STARS

Greg Dyer, Matt Ruby, Cameron Shepherd, and Nick Masterson played on the 10-year-old "All-Stars" in Franklin, NH.

Doug Valcourt, Dave Valcourt, Jim Bresse, Ryan Gallien and Mark Stadtmiller played in the Kearsarge Valley "All-Stars" in New London.

I would like to thank the town and people of Grantham for their continued support of this program.

*Recreation Director,
Jim Peirce*

SOCCER

The Town of Grantham offers a fall soccer program for children K-6 grade. This program is designed to teach the children basic playing skills and how to interact as a team. Learning how to be a team player is also emphasized. At this age, parent involvement is very important and is built into the program. Everyone is welcome to participate.





RECREATION



BASKETBALL — CHAMPIONS: 5-6 GRADE GIRLS!



This year our 1997 season ended in March with all four teams entered in the Kearsarge tournament. Each team played their best and one team came home the champs. This was the 5-6 grade girls with their coach, Steve Jordan. Nice job, ladies — you worked hard at this and showed us what teamwork is all about.

In July, at the Old Home Day, we had a booth to sell food. It was strawberry shortcake and pita sandwiches. The children helped pick and serve.

We made \$123 on this. In September, we had a sock hop, which we held for fun and to help pay for our hoop shoot trophies. On this we cleared \$157.

In November, we had 65 children sign up for the 1997-1998 season. This is up 20 students from last year. We now have five teams.

On December 5, 1997, we held our 2nd hoop shoot. This year we did make money. There were 68 children that signed up to shoot. Pizza and hot dogs were served. In the end, we came up with \$340 for our year-end awards fund.

Also in December, we received a gift from Sugar River Savings Bank and Pepsi Cola. They ordered us a new time clock for our gym.

This saved the town over \$2,400. It should be in and running by February. A big thank-you to these two businesses.

In closing, a big thanks to all the coaches and to the officials that have helped get this year off to a great start. Without these people there would be no program.

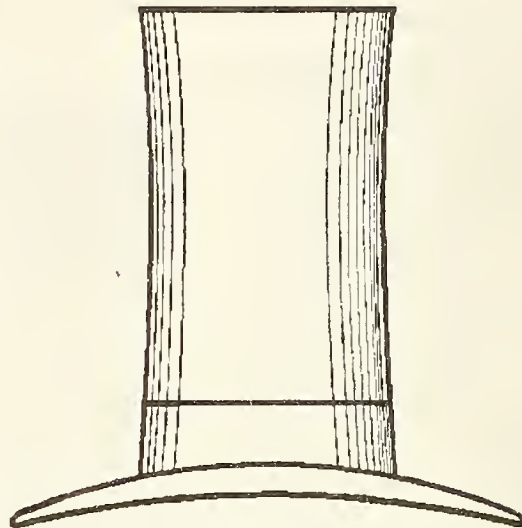
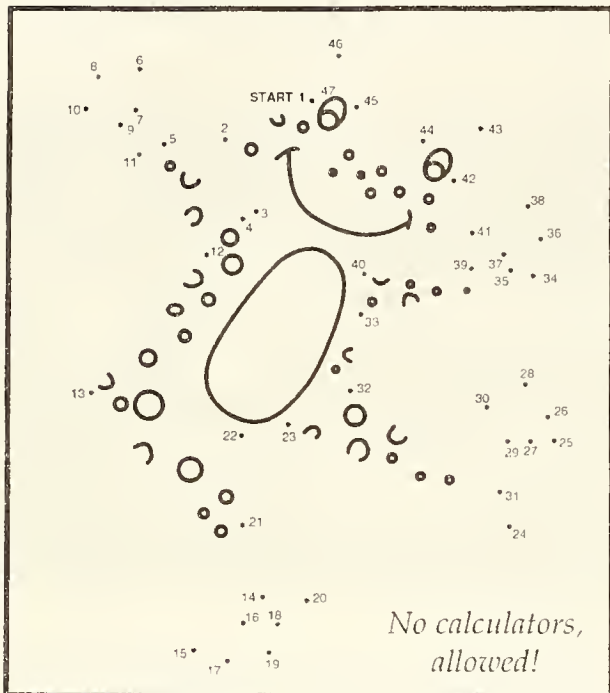
— Ellen Moray

RULES OF THE TRAILS — Caution at the curves, and courtesy always — Those who share the many trails throughout Grantham are asked to use common sense as well. Here, Mert Hastings, Jr., out with his Belgians, came quickly to a stop when he heard snowmobilers heading toward him from around the bend in the North Grantham trail.





THE GRANTHAM FUN PAGE!



ABOVE — OPTICAL ILLUSION DEPT:

**IS THE HAT TALLER
THAN ITS BRIM IS WIDE?**

MULTIPLE CHOICE:

**A — THE "BEFORE" MODEL
IN A PARENTING CLASS PROMO ...**

**B — YOUR SCHOOL PROJECT ON EGYPT
WITH A FAMILY MEMBER "STANDING IN" ...**

**C — A RACING STRIPE
WITH AN IDENTITY CRISIS ...**

**D — ANOTHER
"FISH THAT GOT AWAY" STORY ...**

**E — (COLOR THE TAPE RED)
THE "DEALING WITH BIG CITY
GOVERNMENT" BAD DREAM THAT GOES AWAY
OVER TIME WITH THE GRANTHAM CURE ...**

F — NONE OF THE ABOVE.





HOG REEVES

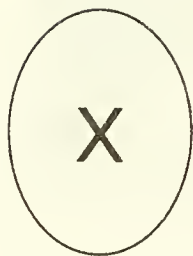
Fortunately there was no activity for the Hog Reeves this year so we had many uninterrupted nights of sleep, however, we did not add to the school population!

We were really honored with the nomination and it will remain a highlight of our early married life.

Thank you all for the honor.

Mert & Sarah Hastings

*Hog Reeves
Scratch & Sniff
Starter Kit.
To locate your key
component, search
the animal pastures
high and low, and
place a sample on
the X. HINT: The
drier the sample, the
more diminished the
impact.*



"Do you see any loose hogs out there,
sweetums?"
"No, I don't."
"Neither do I?"
"Who said that?"

Once again, Grantham's elusive bovine
gang leader managed to blend in nicely
without hogging the limelight.
The hunt continues.

FENCE VIEWERS

There were two fence viewers from Grantham.
They deemed the Town's fences quite handsome.
The fences they viewed, over time had been skewed,
Their use long since abandoned.

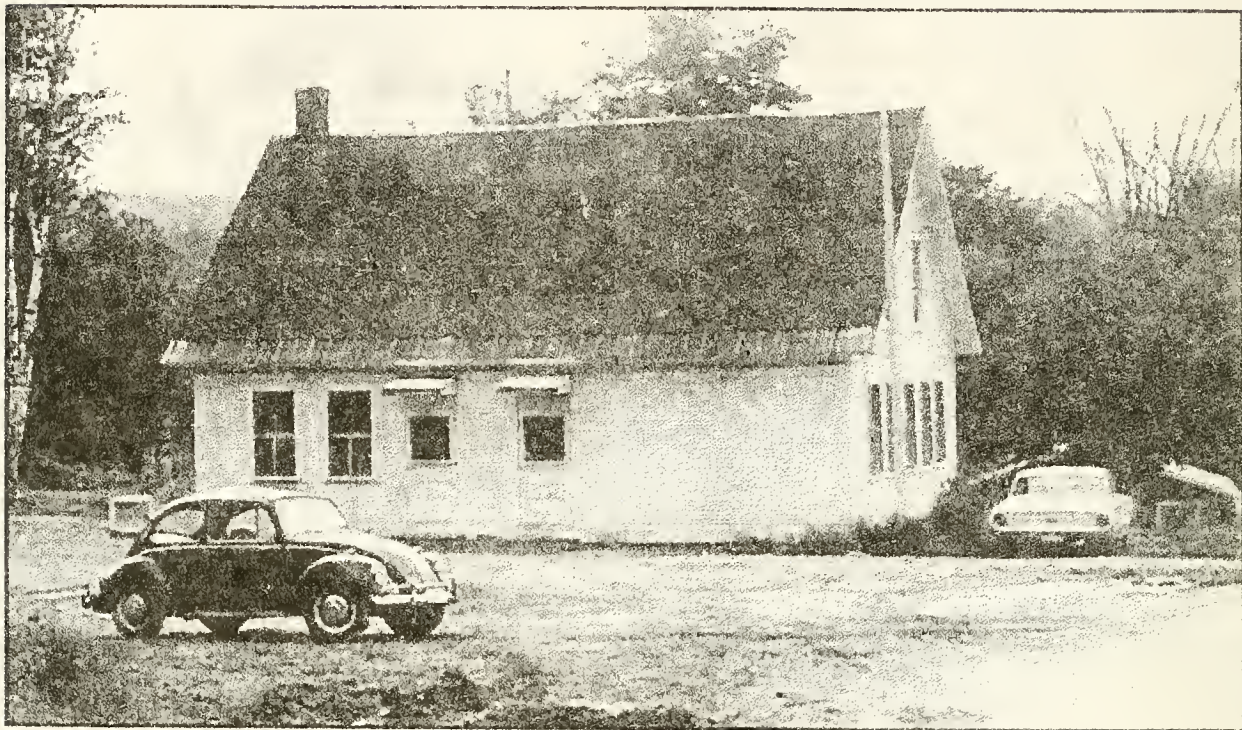
Their duties were few,
They had it made in the shade,
Even a place of honor in the Old Home Day Parade.
The one time they've called out,
(By a flat lander no doubt)
Was to view a poor deer long hanging about!

Respectfully submitted,
Andy Anderson & Victoria Smith





TOWN ARCHIVES



VILLAGE SCHOOL *The two-room Village School was earlier called Grantham Hollow School #7. This photo from the early 1960s is found in the Town Archives collection, located in the same building today, the Town Office.*

The Grantham Town Archives collection had a very productive 1997. Heading the list of accomplishments was the preservation of Volume One of the Grantham Vital Statistics (1777-1849). This important resource was carefully rebound by Brown's River Bindery, a Vermont firm specializing in archival restoration and preservation. They dismantled the book, de-acidified the paper, placed each sheet in a mylar envelope, sewed the envelopes and bound them in an acid free goatskin book. They also microfilmed the entire book. Now these records are safely preserved and can be examined by all without damage.

Annual Town Reports dating from 1877 to 1939 are currently being rebound into two volumes as well as being microfilmed.

The Grantham Vital Statistics and the Annual Town Reports are open to all individuals wishing to research family and old town records. Another

good resource available is a computer database of 10,000 family names which are cross-referenced. These names have been gathered from old school records, old town inventories, newspapers, the 1850 Census, jury lists and partially from the Vital Statistics. It is one of our goals to include all the names found in the volumes of Vital Statistics.

The Grantham Town Archives are a living, growing trove of history. We encourage Grantham families to contribute their genealogies to this community resource. With thanks to Allen Walker, we have gathered and sorted new material during the past year, and look forward to more participation in 1998.

The Grantham Town Archives are opened Wednesday mornings at the Town Office at 34 Dunbar Hill Road

Respectfully submitted,
Lea Frey, Town Archivist





HISTORICAL SOCIETY



The Historical Society had an interesting and productive year. Nine meetings were held, and we also took part in the Old Home Day celebration. At the January meeting, George Sutherland reported on the pamphlet, "Eastman, the First 25 Years", and told how it was compiled and produced. There were 1,000 copies printed.

In February we discussed putting more plaques on a few more buildings, to add to the original six. No decision was taken. We selected four old photos to be made into post cards for sale, two of Main Street, one of the Howe Press, and one of the old Reney Mill ruins on the East Grantham Road.

At the March meeting Michelle Daigle resigned as president because of her heavy work load and family schedule. Everyone was sorry, for Michelle was a fine leader and worked very hard. Connie Howard showed a video of her home town of Weathersfield, Vt., about the town's history.

In April, we voted to put \$1,000 in a CD. Lea Frey showed samples of the finished post cards and we voted to sell them for \$.50 each.

In May we elected new officers.

President	Allen Walker
Vice-President	Barbara Mutney
Secretary	Ella Reney
Treasurer	Conrad Frey

Members of the Board of Directors are Dennis Howard, Marcia Llewellyn, Earline Pillsbury, and Linda Morrow.

After a pot luck supper Dr. James Atkinson, co-author of *Footprints of the Past*, a book of Cornish history, spoke about the book and showed examples of art produced in Cornish.

Also in May, an archeological dig was conducted at the old Fowler Water Mill location. Archeologist Gordon Crandall supervised, helped by teachers, Mrs. Parsons and Mrs. Buckman, and grades 3 and 4 from Grantham Village School. Many items were uncovered to be displayed at the school.

At our September meeting Ron Garceau, publisher of "Soo-Nipi" magazine, discussed publishing and marketing more copies of the Grantham history but no final decision was made.

The October meeting was dedicated to memories of the great 1938 hurricane. Everett Reney, Wilfred Hastings, Ella Reney, Carol Sturgis, and Dennis Howard gave their recollections of the event.

In November Ron Garceau gave more detailed information on costs and feasibility of printing more Grantham histories. Members then agreed that the history should be updated and expanded before deciding on more production. This should be our main project for 1998.

Respectfully submitted,
Allen Walker, President



POST CARDS

Four photos have been selected, printed, and made ready for sale by the Grantham Historical Society. This one depicts the Howe Press once located on the left just above the first bridge on the East Grantham Road. Formerly a cooper shop, it became a print shop in 1895 owned by J.M. Howe. It burned in 1968.





JULY 4TH OLD HOME DAY



DEAR PEOPLE OF GRANTHAM,

For the second year, in 1997, the Grantham Old Home Day Celebration was a roaring success. On July 3rd a contra dance with Kathy Miller and band was enjoyed by young and not so young with dancing by all. The huge tent enabled everyone to dance through the evening and ignore the persistent rain.

July 4th started off bright and sunny and the morning activities kept everyone busy as hungry townsfolk and friends enjoyed a great pancake breakfast at the United Methodist Church.

Once again the vitality of participants gave us one of the largest and most successful parades Grantham has ever seen. The theme this year was "Passages of Time" and the winning entries in the parade were 1st prize, the Cub Scouts; 2nd went to the Farm Friends, and 3rd prize was shared by Ellen Morey and Lana Brooks. Francie Tucker rode in the parade guest spot as the oldest citizen and the youngest was represented by Thomas Allen Leone, son of Moses Leone and Brandy Sailors.

The festivities continued at the school grounds with Representative Merle Schotanus who dedicated the Liberty Memorial Tree and continued with entertainment by the Eastmanaires. Food vendors abounded at the school grounds with a spectrum of food from hamburgers to popcorn to a complete pig roast. Dunbar Free Library Friends once again had a fabulous cookie walk, which proved again to be one of their most successful fund raisers.

At the afternoon activities, Jody Scalise, humorist and family fun expert, entertained a large crowd with juggling, jokes and the unexpected. A family petting zoo was enjoyed by all and the games for adults and children kept eggs flying and sack races mobile all afternoon. With a cheering and jeering audience, an exhibition of volleyball was on-going for most of the afternoon. For those with less physical interest, the face painting made for a more colorful population of smiling faces.

Activities closed down in the late afternoon and the school ground was transformed back to tidy and clean by our logistic committee and volunteers.

Jutta Cords and Warren Kimball, this year's co-



Where else does one find a politician after a parade but up on a soapbox, in this case one provided for Merle Schotanus. He leans a bit here on Francis Mutney. To Merle's right (so-to-speak) are Helen Schotanus, and Michael and LeeAnn Holdowsky, watching festivities. *Julie Ann Cummings*

chairs, extend a grateful thank you to all of the committee members who worked so hard this year. To make Old Home Day a day that represents a town's well being takes a lot of hard work and community spirit and the numerous committee members did just that.

At town meeting, pictures from this year's Old Home Day will be on exhibit for everyone to enjoy. Only with the help of the people of Grantham can we have the wonderful celebration of our town, so sign up after you look at the pictures and remember the fun day we had in 1997.

*Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Towle*





THE WAY WE WERE ...



IN 1918

The town report had 36 pages.

At the March meeting voters were asked to raise and appropriate a sum of money for the maintenance of the Trunkline highway (now Route 10).

The inventory of the town was valued at \$324,787. Land and buildings; 92 horses, 20 oxen, 116 cows, other neat stock 53; sheep 167 and 2 hogs, and 17 vehicles and automobiles.

Expenditures for the police department were \$9.50. W.B. Goddard, policeman, \$7.00, and N.C. Thornton, keeping tramps, \$2.50.

During the past year the village school with Aileen Fleming, the spring term teacher, and Delia A. Lydon, the fall and winter teacher, kept for 30 weeks. Miss Gladys Durling taught all three terms at North Grantham, a total of 31 weeks.

Juno Pillsbury was tuitioned to Newport High School for \$26.67, and Dewey Hastings to Enfield for \$20.00.

IN 1928

William E. Hutchins was born on July 8, 1927, to

Edward and Florence Hastings Hutchins.

No marriages were listed in 1927.

Supt. William J. English's report noted that because of the small enrollment in the village school, 15 in the grammar room and 14 in the primary room, the State Department proposed that one teacher be hired for both rooms. The enrollment at the North Grantham school was approximately 12 in Grades 1 through 8.

The school board's budget was \$4,380.

Leston Horton was foreman for the state road construction, and C.L. Pillsbury and James B. Green were road agents. John W. Colburn was patrolman for the Trunkline maintenance.

Property taxes committed to the collector in 1927 were \$9,396.89.

The library budget was \$83.32. J.M. Howe, librarian, \$39.00; Juno Horton, trustee, \$40.00; Bernice Howe, cleaning library, \$1.00; and A.L. Reney, supplies \$3.32.

Voters were asked to raise and appropriate the sum of \$400 for the control of White Pine Blister Rust in this town; to raise money for the support of a District Nurse in cooperation with the Lake Sunapee Visiting Nurse Association, and to see if the town will vote to buy the land adjacent to the East Grantham Cemetery and appropriate money for the same.

IN 1938

Gladys D. Walker was the town clerk; Glenn H. Hudson, Merton Z. Pillsbury, and Edward W. Hutchins, selectmen; Donas J. Reney was town treasurer, and Allen W. Walker, tax collector.

Voters were asked to appropriate money to improve the town common and to have a community Christmas tree.

Soldiers' exemptions were \$4,650,

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Jaclyn Hastings and Amanda Swenson escort a kid Gruff on Old Home Day 1997.

Photo: Julie Ann Cummings





THE WAY WE WERE ...



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and the total valuation of the town, exclusive of soldiers' exemptions, was \$222,024.

Fire expense was \$8.40 to Perley Walker for posting fire notices.

Due to an outbreak of scarlet fever, health expenses were \$155.94 for doctors' visits and supplies for quarantined families.

Claude Moulton, Wilbur Reney and James Green were road agents.

The town owned the \$200 store lot in North Grantham, and \$400 worth of water power rights.

The town clerk collected \$257.58 in auto permits, and \$87.74 in dog licenses.

High school and New London Academy tuition was \$863.33.

Val M. Clough, as superintendent of schools, received \$190.90, and the School District of Hanover's administration expense was \$25.00.

Nathan John Hastings was born July 15, 1937, to Dura J. and Pearl Richardson Hastings.

IN 1948

Walter Reney attended Newport High School; Janet Spooner, Claremont High School; and Nina Barton, Joey Dunbar, Ronald Dunbar, Edith Holmes, Margaret Holmes, Barbara Jennings, Ronald Lower, Evelyn Pillsbury, Iva Pillsbury, and Lawrence Thornton attended Lebanon High School. Tuition: \$1,292.

Enrollment in the village school: 16 in the Primary Room — Gladys Walker, teacher; and 23 in the Grammar Room — Mabel Pillsbury, teacher. In North Grantham, Madge Shaw taught 18 pupils in Grades 1 through 8.

Circulation at the Dunbar Free Library for 1947 was 1,038 books. The library was open Saturdays from 1 to 2 and 7 to 8 P.M.

Allen Walker served as road agent.

The town paid out \$157 in bounties and was reimbursed by the state.

The fire department had \$1,075 worth of equipment.

At town meeting, voters were asked to raise money to build a new chimney on the town hall and to approve an Old Home Day and raise money for the same.

Leon A. Mayo served as police officer and dog

constable.

IN 1958

Everett R. Reney, Wilfred M. Hastings, and Peter E. Forest served as selectmen; Kenneth O. Barton was the police officer, and Arthur R. Carver was chief of the fire department.

Voters were asked to approve monies for the fire department, the town dump, and \$375 to pay for street lighting.

The gross valuation of the town was \$309,980.

The town clerk collected \$1,640.66 in auto permits, and \$169.50 in dog licenses.

Merton W. Hastings and Kenneth O. Barton were road agents.

From Arthur Carver's fire department report: The home of Henry Hamilton on Pillsbury Road was destroyed by fire due to a previous chimney fire. A telephone has been installed in the home of Joshua Dunbar across from the Fire House so there is someone on duty there at all times.

School Board members were Phyllis H. Forest, Alden H. Pillsbury and Helen Moulton.

There were eight students enrolled in Towle High School, Newport, and 10 students enrolled in Lebanon High School.

Cindy Ruth Holmes was born at home, November 11, 1958, to Alfred M. and Beryl J. Dunbar Holmes.

IN 1968

Alfred Holmes was overseer of the poor; Eleanor Reney was tax collector; Earline Pillsbury was town treasurer, B. Joey Holmes was town clerk, and Carlton R. Benoit, Maurice D. Reney and Alfred Holmes were selectmen. Charles N. Pierce, Jr., was police officer and dog warden, and Roland Hardy was fire chief.

Voters raised money for a town garage and agreed to lease the Wilbur Reney garage on Route 10 until it was built.

Property taxes to be raised were \$31,651.09.

Bernice Howe, librarian, was paid \$150, and the police officer \$110.

The library circulation was 1,002 books for the year.

William Merrill succeeded Gordon Tate as

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superintendent of schools.

F. Robert Osgood, William Willis, and Shirley Benoit were members of the school board.

The salaries of three teachers were budgeted at \$12,400, and supervisory union expenses were \$880.

Grantham tuitioned 47 students in Grades 7 through 12: \$550 per junior high student, and \$645 per senior high student. Total tuition costs; \$22,750.49. Three students continued to go to Newport High School.

The Village School had a movie projector.

There were 40 pupils in Grades 1-6 at the Village School.

Dr. Lawrence L. Malinconico of West Hartford, Conn., purchased the North Grantham School for \$5,000.00.

Marriages recorded in 1968: Merton W. Hastings, Jr., and Frances L. Beaupre on Jan. 20, Donald G. Cote and Carol A. Tallman on April 20, and John A. Thornton and Christina E. Johnson on May 31.

IN 1978

Kara Lynn Fretz was born on June 7 to Daniel and Suellen Schotanus Fretz, and Eryn Melissa Bagley was born on July 27 to James W. and Teresa A. Perrier Bagley.

There were 50 children enrolled in the Village School, and 53 students tuitioned to the Lebanon Junior and Senior High Schools.

Eight 6th graders graduated in June: Diana Curtis, David Field, Philip Hastings, Jeannine Hubbard, Robbie Holt, Tobin Whammond, Brenda Wright and Stanley Wright.

Donna Stamper and Marcia Smith chaired the Willing Workers, a support group for school activities.

The Youth Basketball Association, comprised of 13 Grantham, Enfield, and Canaan teams, was in its third year. Henry Barton and Mike Traegde were coaches.

The budget for the Grantham-Springfield Cooperative Kindergarten was \$8,856. The kindergarten aide received \$3.10 per hour.

Theresa Field was the school clerk.

Jeanette Struble, Frances Hastings, and Amah



Dalton Covel gets his face painted by Cindy Covel for Old Home Day on July 4th, 1997.

Photo: Julie Ann Cummings

Howard were school board members, and Daniel J. Whittaker was superintendent.

Amah Howard, Lucy Sheerr, and Mathilde M. English were library trustees, and Linda L. Moore was librarian.

Alden H. Pillsbury, John Matthewman, Merle W. Schotanus, Janis S. Hastings and Ella B. Reney served on the Planning Board.

At the March meeting, voters approved the building of a multipurpose building on the Sargent Lot recently acquired from the Reney heirs. They also approved \$750 for a master plan for the town, established a conservation commission, and raised \$700 to purchase chairs for the town hall.

The amount to be raised by property taxes was

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\$306,635.23.

The town clerk collected \$21,536.00 in auto permits, and \$734.80 in dog licenses. All dogs had to be vaccinated against rabies.

During the year, the Planning Board members discussed sites for a new cemetery, a new post office and a sign ordinance for the town. The first proposal for Olde Farms, an 89-lot subdivision on 730 acres on the west side of town, was presented at the December meeting.

The Dunbar Free Library was open on Wednesday evening, Thursday morning and afternoon, and Saturday morning, a total of eight hours weekly.

The Grantham Police Chief, Edgar H. Masone, reported 680 calls — almost double those of the previous years.

Herbert Stares, Treasurer of the Grantham Volunteer Fire Department, reported a surplus of \$10,802.57.

Grantham Graphics printed the 1978 town report.

IN 1988

Merle Schotanus, Grantham, and Peter Burling, Cornish, represented Grantham, Cornish, Springfield, and Plainfield in the General Court.

John Wheeler, Lebanon, was the selectmen's administrative assistant.

Frederick Curtis, Steven Jordan, and Ricky Hastings were selectmen, and Police Chief Russell Lary had eight deputy officers.

Mike Traegde was road agent, and Michael Benoit was the fire chief.

At the March meeting, voters were asked to approve a three-part Zoning Ordinance, set up a capital reserve fund for the purchase of a F.A.S.T. Squad vehicle, spend \$16,000 to implement a recycling center at the transfer station, and authorize the selectmen to purchase or lease a vault for the storage of town records.

Motor vehicle fees totaled \$1,131,198 and dog licenses, \$1,033.

The salary for the administrative assistant was \$29,500, and that of the police chief, \$26,500.

Total land value of the town: \$73,024,200, and total value of buildings, \$93,235,650. There were

7,255.88 acres in current use.

There were 115 veterans in town, and 955 residents paid a resident tax of \$10 each.

Approximately 48% of the town's budget supported education for pupils in the elementary school and tuitioned students.

Town property, including the North Grantham store lot, was valued at \$1,799,750.

At the March 8, 1988, Town Meeting, voters by a 198 to 99 vote, approved combining the offices of town clerk and tax collector.

Voters gave Paul Franklin, Grantham's first administrative assistant, who had served for the past three years, a standing vote of appreciation.

New arrivals in town were Max Shepherd, Jenna Tomlinson, Austin Clary, Brett Underhill, and Brenden Mayo.

David Szczesiul married Glenda Hanna on July 9, and Michael Willis married Lisa Wheeler on August 20.

A chapter of Friends of the Library was started, and the renovation of the Dunbar Free Library on Main Street was begun.

Sara Townsend, Plainfield, former Grantham representative to the General Court, had her final report in this issue.

Frances Rutter was chairman of the recycling committee.

Helen Schotanus, Jane Underhill, and Donald Taylor served on the school board.

A classroom aide was paid \$6.93 per hour for a six-hour day.

Peter Bonaccorsi taught Grades 5 and 6, Denise Monica, Grades 3 and 4; and Sue Jaggard, Grades 1 and 2. Anne McGrody was the kindergarten teacher at the Grantham-Springfield Cooperative Kindergarten.

There were 61 pupils in the elementary school and 13 in the kindergarten. Thirty-four students attended Lebanon Junior High School and 52 students were at the senior high school.

**Material taken from Grantham's town reports, which are available at the Archives Room at the Grantham Town Office, Dunbar Hill Road.*

Ella B. Reney





CEMETERY TRUSTEES



Cemetery Trustees, Warren Kimball, and Dennis Howard held two meetings in 1997. They met informally with Ed Buckman, Town Custodian and Cemetery Sexton as needed to provide care for Grantham Cemeteries. Trustee, Chris Covell has left Grantham. The Selectmen appointed Francis Mutney to serve as Cemetery Trustee for the remainder of Covell's term.

Cemetery projects included a new fence around the Hastings Cemetery on Burpee Hill and cleaning and restoring of monuments, markers, and tablets in Dunbar Hill and Hill Dale Cemeteries.

Perpetual Care Funds were used to clean 26 gravestones in Dunbar Hill and 47 gravestones in Hill Dale. Budgeted funds were used to clean 14 gravestones at Hill Dale that had been restored in 1996. Repairs were made to 39 gravestones at Hill Dale which included straightening with concrete, rejoining, new footings, and epoxy. Five new granite markers were purchased to replace broken unrepairable markers. The value of work done by Eagle Scout Charles More, III, was again appreciated as information was on record to provide data for the new markers.

Perpetual Care Funds and Cemetery Maintenance funds were transferred by the Trustees of Trust Funds to the General Fund to offset some of the cost of maintaining Dunbar Hill, Hill Dale, and Memorial Cemeteries. Cemetery Regulations were reviewed and amended by the Trustees. (A copy of the new regulations may be

obtained at the Town Office.)

The Trustees recommend acceptance of their 18-month Budget request which includes funds to continue restorations and cleaning of gravestones at Hill Dale and the addition of \$3,000 toward the Mower Capital Reserve Fund or necessary funds to purchase a new multi-purpose tractor/mower.

Future plans include:

- Installing the fence removed from Hastings Cemetery to protect the private cemetery off Miller Pond Road,
- Continue restorations and cleaning of gravestones,
- Maintenance of the Mountain and Leavitt Hill Cemeteries.

The Cemetery Trustees extend thanks to all those who have helped to provide respect and care for our cemeteries. Your cooperation with our Sexton, Ed Buckman, and the maintenance crew are greatly appreciated.

CEMETERY SEXTON'S REPORT

Eleven lots in Memorial Cemetery have been sold to six families in 1997. There have been two burials in Memorial Cemetery, two burials in Hill Dale Cemetery, one burial in Dunbar Hill Cemetery, and one burial in the Grantham Mountain Cemetery for a total of six burials.

Ed Buckman, Cemetery Sexton

CEMETERY TRUSTEES — BOOKKEEPER'S REPORT

TRUSTEES Dennis W. Howard Warren Kimball Francis Mutney	Balance on hand, December 31, 1996		\$827.62
	Lake Sunapee	Old Graveyard Restoration	\$393.05
	Checking Account	Undesignated Funds	<u>434.57</u>
	8-23-409182-0		\$827.62
	Income:	Interest	<u>8.26</u>
	Total Balance and Income		\$835.88
	Disbursements:	NHOGA Dues & Handbook	<u>9.00</u>
	Total Disbursements		<u>9.00</u>
	Balance on hand, December 31, 1997,		<u>\$826.88*</u>
		*Old Graveyard Restoration	\$393.05
		Undesignated Funds	<u>\$433.83</u>
			<u>\$826.88</u>

Dennis W. Howard, Bookkeeper





COMMUNITY CRISIS FUND



The Grantham Community Crisis Fund was established in 1995 as a non-profit organization. The hope is that anyone in the Grantham community will be able to be helped with a temporary financial need.

Its five-member committee relies on every town member in Grantham. If you have a concern yourself or about someone in town, please contact any one of its members. Brochures are located throughout public places in town. Neighbor helping neighbor is the goal of the fund with confidentiality

respected in all aspects of the process.

This year \$1,500 was dispersed among several community members.

DONATIONS FOR THE YEAR 1997

\$1,240.00	Private Donations
\$ 765.47	Eastman's Iceout Guess Competition
\$ 151.00	Eastman Ladies Bridge Club

Respectfully Submitted,
Nancy Tomlinson

LAKE SUNAPEE VISITING NURSES



— Services provided to people of Grantham —

- Home Health Care for those recovering from an illness or injury:
- Hospice Care for patients & families experiencing a terminal illness:
- Community Clinics for adults, for immunizations & other wellness programs:
- Long-term care for chronically ill adults & children needing support services:
- Maternal & Child Health for children & families needing newborn care, well child clinic & parenting support:
- School-age Child Care for families needing after school and summer day care:

Visits: 1,289 to 34 patients

Visits : 303 to 10 patients

Patients served: 140

Hours: 921 to 11 patients

Families served: 7

Families Served: 17

16 Depot Street, Newport 893-4088
290 County Road, New London 526-4077
PO Box 2209, New London, NH 03257-2209

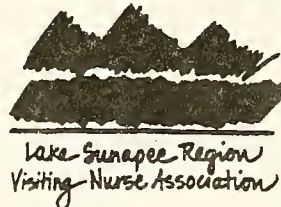
Thank you for your continued support.

Respectfully submitted,
Andrea F. Steel, President and CEO

The Lake Sunapee Region VNA is proud of its tradition of providing quality home health care to people in your community. The year 1997 has been one

LAKE SUNAPEE HOME CARE & HOSPICE LAKE SUNAPEE COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES

of change for home health care. Medicare reports of fraud and abuse leave us wondering how we as consumers can know whether we're dealing with a quality organization. We are served by a volunteer Board of Trustees who, with staff, continually monitor our performance internally. Externally, licensing, certifying and accrediting bodies assess our performance against state and federal standards regularly. Most of all, we have committed, competent and caring staff and volunteers out in the community each day of the



year providing needed home care.

Our affiliation with New London Hospital and Capital Region Health Care has allowed us to care for patients

and families more efficiently and to access opportunities for achieving cost savings as part of a larger delivery system. Four VNA employees, Trustees Jean Grinold, Eileen Holmes and Mary Zentis and many volunteers live in Grantham. As the health care delivery system and insurance benefits continue to evolve and change we are more dependent than ever on the loyal support of the towns we serve to enable us to provide free and subsidized care to those people who might not have access to care otherwise.





KEARSARGE COUNCIL ON AGING



The Kearsarge Area Council on Aging, Inc., a non-profit organization, was founded in July 1992. We serve people 55 years of age and older in nine area towns: Andover, Danbury, Grafton, Newbury, New London, Springfield, Sunapee, Sutton, and Wilmot. We promote, develop, and reinforce programs which support and enhance the health, well being, dignity and independence of senior adults.

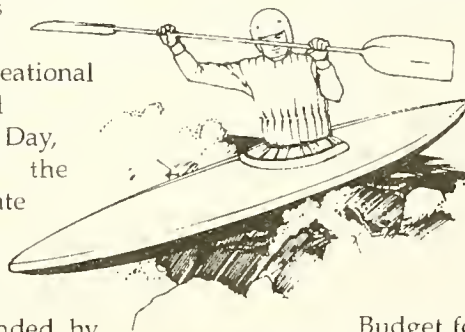
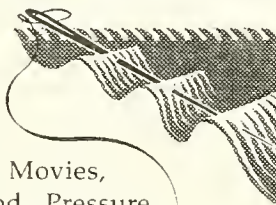
Our basic services continue to grow. The year 1997 shows increases in volunteer-provided rides, assistance with small home repairs, supportive daily phone contact with the homebound, friendly visits with seniors in their homes, intergenerational assistance with reading programs in local schools, and referral to appropriate resources to answer the needs of our clients. Our monthly newsletter reports these and other services to keep our members informed.

Social, educational, and recreational gatherings included our annual Valentine Luncheon, Mountain Day, The Shaker Experience and the Christmas Reception. Granite State Stories discussions were held at the Tracy Library in New London, led by Dr. Patrick Anderson of Colby Sawyer, funded by N.H. Humanities Council.

Conversations with Lunch coordinated with the Community Action Program were held monthly and highlighted by the annual picnic held at Muster Field Farm in Sutton. A new program, "Outdoor Recreation for Seniors," featured biking, kayaking, hiking, an overnight at Camp Coniston and many more activities. "Walk Your Way

Through Winter" resulted in sixty members walking over 2,000 miles in a five-month period.

Our move to 12 Newport Rd., New London, in December 1996 brought the opportunity to expand our services and activities for our membership and made 1997 a banner year for COA. Our monthly newsletter carried a Calendar of Events to keep members informed of these expanded services. The 1997 activities in our Program Center included Exercise Classes, Bridge Lessons, Quilting for Babies at Risk, Paint with Peers, Friday at the Movies, Dominoes, Library, Blood Pressure Screening, Flu Shots, Tax Assistance, Art Show & Reception with members' work displayed, Let's Talk Program (a series of discussions concerning nutritional, emotional, financial and societal matters) was conducted in the Center. In a major undertaking, 140 members have received training on the Introduction to Computer courses.



Financial support from Grantham and other area towns accounts for approximately 20% of our required funds. We are asking that \$750.00 be included as an item in the Grantham Town

Budget for 1998 to sustain our growth of services, programs and activities for senior adults.

We are deeply grateful to Grantham and other areas towns along with donors to our fund drive, foundation grants, advertisers in our newsletter, and individual clients for past and future financial assistance.

Our very special thanks to those dedicated volunteers who give so selflessly of their time and talent. Without them there is no COA.

Sincerely,
Robert J. Bradley
Chairman of the Board

KEARSARGE AREA
COA
COUNCIL ON AGING, INC.





EXECUTIVE COUNCILOR



REPORT TO THE CITIZENS OF DISTRICT ONE

RAYMOND S. BURTON • COUNCILOR, DISTRICT ONE

It is a pleasure to report to the people of District One, which consists of 98 towns and four cities here in northern New Hampshire.

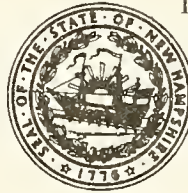
The Council acts much like a board of directors at the very top of your Executive Branch of your New Hampshire State Government.

We confirm gubernatorial nominations to many regulatory, advisory and governing boards and commissions within the Executive Branch of your government.

We also confirm gubernatorial nominations to the entire Judicial Branch of the New Hampshire State Government, approve contracts to outside agencies, businesses, municipalities, and individu-

als. We have a host of other duties.

It is a pleasure to serve you as one of your public servants. My office is at your service.

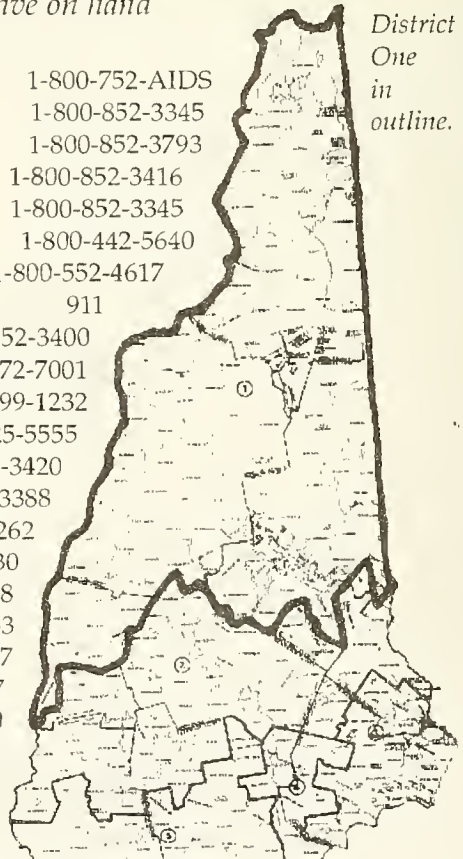


Raymond S. Burton
State House - Room 207
Concord, NH 03301

Citizens throughout this district may want to have on hand the following list of phone numbers:

Aids Hotline	1-800-752-AIDS
Children, Youth & Families	1-800-852-3345
Consumer Complaints, Utilities	1-800-852-3793
Consumer Complaints, Insurance	1-800-852-3416
Disabilities Assistance	1-800-852-3345
Elderly & Adult Assistance	1-800-442-5640
Fuel Assistance	1-800-552-4617
Emergency Assistance	911
Employment Opportunities	1-800-852-3400
Job Training Information	1-800-772-7001
NH State Library	1-800-499-1232
NH State Police	1-800-525-5555
NH Community Technical Colleges	1-800-247-3420
NH Help Line (24 hour)	1-800-852-3388
NH Operation Game Thief	1-800-344-4262
NH Veterans Council	1-800-622-9230
NH Corrections Dept.	1-800-479-0688
NH Dept. of Labor	1-800-272-4353
NH Housing Authority	1-800-439-7247
NH Higher Educational Assistance	1-800-525-2577
Headrest Teenline	1-800-826-3700
NH Independent Living Foundation	1-800-826-3700
NH Charitable Foundation	1-800-464-6641

District One in outline.



Ray Burton

(603) 271-3632





REP. MERLE SCHOTANUS



REPORT OF MERLE W. SCHOTANUS REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE GENERAL COURT

The 1997 session was a productive session both for our state and me personally. After much political shadow boxing and dancing to establish party pecking orders, the House got down to business and turned out some very constructive legislation.

The \$5.5 billion biennial budget represents about a 3.1% increase in state general fund spending, but increases the money going back to cities and towns by over \$80 million. Qualifying towns will receive additional dollars in

Augenblick educational formula funding, school building aid, per pupil kindergarten funding, and catastrophic education aid funding. They will also receive increased Meal and Rooms tax revenue sharing and added environmental, bridge and highway funding.

Although it did not include funding for a new prison, the \$64.3 million general fund capital budget will provide for additional buildings or improvements for the University system, the Glencliff home for the elderly, the Supreme Court and several other state building projects.

For the first time, this budget includes emergency building repair funds which heretofore had to be appropriated on a piece-meal basis; and a mandatory requirement that all new computer purchases be approved by a central office of information technology to ensure the state's computer network is coordinated. Information technology purchases by the state are expected to total over \$50 million during the biennium.

My first year as clerk of the Public Works and Highways committee was busy, and quite productive. I assisted in crafting the capital budget and was able to concentrate on many bills of interest to District 3 constituents.

I was very pleased to work with my colleague from Cornish, Representative Peter Burling, and other sponsors to pass the landmark bipartisan Kindergarten incentive bill which is already producing great progress toward providing kindergarten for all New Hampshire five year olds. I also

had the pleasure of co-sponsoring the repeal of the ancient and unenforceable 1848 abortion laws.

Other bills that I sponsored or helped to pass dealt with diabetes insurance coverage, river corridor management plans, snowmobile registration fees and trail grant-in-aid programs, and forest landowner estate taxes.

In the 1998 session I will co-sponsor a bill with my colleague from Sunapee, Representative Richard Leone, to help protect Sunapee's water supply, and will be working on solving the very serious problem of prison overcrowding as part of my Public Works Committee duties.

My hope to concentrate on other issues will be completely overshadowed by the fallout of the recent Supreme Court decision regarding educational funding. The decision has caused substantial political upheaval, but it should not come as a surprise. The state legislature and certain political

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REP. MERLE SCHOTANUS



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leaders have been sidestepping the issue of adequate state support of education for years. It was an issue in 1985 in my first term when the legislature adopted the Augenblick formula of educational funding in response to a threatened court challenge. The funding formula was a good one, but never proved successful because the state has continually refused to fully fund it.

This and the filing of the so-called Claremont suit in 1991 have made educational funding an issue of debate in every legislative session since then. The one-year time limit placed on the legislature to resolve this sticky issue simply tells us, "It is now time to either fish or cut bait!"

I believe the problem of constitutionally acceptable education adequacy and funding can be resolved in a way that benefits both the children of this state and the communities and individuals responsible for providing it in a positive and equitable manner. I reject the notion that a constitution-

al amendment alone will solve the problem. Any solution will impact the five towns of District 3 in different ways.

The court's ruling provides legislators a unique opportunity to consult with their constituents to define educational adequacy and to find a way to pay for it. We have pleaded for constituent input before without much success. Now it is imperative that the Schotanus, Burling, Leone team hear from you on this issue.

You can reach me in several different ways: a note or letter to me in Concord at House of Representatives, Room 201, LOB, Concord, NH 03301; or at home in Grantham at 28 Sugarwood Lane, Grantham, NH 03753.

You can reach me by phone in Concord at 271-3565 or in Grantham at 863-2293; or by fax at 863-3539; or by E-mail at hmsshot@srnet.com.

Please let us hear from you.

*Prepared by Representative Merle Schotanus,
District 3, Sullivan County*





REP. RICHARD LEONE



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have written a letter to the County government sub-committee asking them to review the formula as to how the communities are taxed in each county. Presently, tax apportionment is based only upon valuation and set by the Department of Revenue Administration.

The question seems to be whether the user-of-services aspect (population) should be entered into the formula. It is not an easy question nor does it have a simple solution. However, since a huge portion of the county budget is relegated to human services, an in-depth review of the whole process would seem in order.

The issue of whether or not to enter into a long term lease arrangement for both Cannon and Mt. Sunapee will probably surface during the upcoming session. The 1997 legislature authorized the appointment of a joint committee to study, formulate a lease agreement, and ascertain whether there are interested parties. Currently, most legislators are reserving comment until that phase of the committee's assignment is completed. When and if the issue of whether or not to lease arises, much dialogue will be generated from all interested parties. I welcome your input on this matter.



My involvement in constituent service has been active and varied. As previously mentioned, the various state agencies have been responsive and helpful. Please don't hesitate to call, fax, or e-mail me whether it is a concern, or need for a copy of a bill, time of a committee hearing, or the like.

Representative Merle Schotanus has been very helpful to me and we continue to work as a team for the best interests of our district. I am sure he joins me in encouraging any individual or group who wishes to visit the State House or attend a session to get in touch and one of us will offer our assistance.

If you wish to contact me, my mailing address is 310 North Road, Sunapee, NH 03782, my telephone and fax number is 763-9933, and my e-mail is Rcle@sugar-river.net. My committee is located in Room 301 of the legislative office building, and the telephone number is 271-3317.

Thank you again for your support.

Respectfully submitted,

*Representative Richard C. Leone
Sullivan County District #2
Grantham-Springfield-Sunapee*



**REP. RICHARD LEONE****REPORT OF RICHARD C. LEONE
REPRESENTATIVE TO THE NEW HAMPSHIRE GENERAL COURT**

It has been an honor to have the opportunity to serve our district during the 1997 legislative session. Allegedly, the NH Legislature is considered to be the third largest lawmaking body in the world. It is a true citizenship legislature. Much of its strength is derived from dedication, the spirit of volunteerism, and overall commitment to serve the people of our state. It represents us and I am pleased to be a part of it.

There were some significant changes in state government at the introduction of the 1997 session. They included a change in party at the executive level, a first-time female governor, a first-time female speaker, several standing committee chairperson changes in the house, and the arrival of a large number of new legislators who appeared to be more non-partisan by nature, which helped re-define the legislative mission in many areas.

I was assigned to the Municipal and County Government Committee. We processed approximately 40 bills including such items as home rule, SB-2 ballot law, conservation and tax easements, tax assessments, tax deeding, properly notifying multiple landowners, taxation of easements, subdivisions, planning board and zoning issues, airport regulation, local and state records management, financial powers of village districts, regulation of voting places and the like.

Our committee was particularly instrumental in moving the home rule bill (anything not in RSAs or not regulated be left at the discretion of local community) overwhelmingly through the House only to be defeated by the Senate. Members of our committee visited several school districts and municipalities who were under the SB-2 law in 1997 to ascertain pros, cons and what glitches, if any, needed to be addressed. This exercise was under the SB-109 bill which continues to be under close scrutiny and review.

The Municipal and County Government Committee also assigned sub-committees to work on 13 re-referred bills (bills that required more research before taking final action) during the summer. Most of these bills will be acted upon early in the 1998 session. At this time we are not certain

how many new bills will be assigned to our committee for the 1998 session. However, it is anticipated that it could easily be in excess of 55.

I have found it productive to meet with the various state departments to establish rapport and to ascertain ways to better serve our district. They have been cooperative, dedicated, and have a sincere interest in extending assistance. Some of my recent visits included inquiries relative to environmental issues, protection of lakes and ponds, drinking water protection, highway improvement, and the county taxing process.

Since highways play such a vital role in the economy of our district, it would be incumbent to pursue ways to enhance traffic flow with such arteries as Route 11 and affiliated secondary roads. Improvements such as the addition of an extra lane on a hill or in congested areas, or right and left hand turns lanes would help traffic in many locations. Hopefully, we will be able to present a stronger voice for this effort in the near future.

In response to several inquiries from citizens, I

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MORE OLD HOME DAY 1997



RIDIN' HIGH:

At right, Ellen Morey and Lana Brooks parade in style on the 4th of July.

Photo: Julie Ann Cummings



A FEW FLOATS:

At left, Sarah Hastings and her tractor pull the Farm Friends float. *Photo: Julie Ann Cummings*

Below, the United Methodist Church choir is represented by Dennis Howard, Helen Rego, Connie Howard, Elaine Pillsbury, Karen Hastings, Priscilla Sanborn, and Trudy Cohen.

Photo: Submitted from the Pillsbury Collection





VITAL STATISTICS • MARRIAGES

REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF GRANTHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

DATE & PLACE	NAME & SURNAME of the GROOM & BRIDE	RESIDENCE of EACH	DATES & PLACES of BIRTH	NAMES of PARENTS	NAME, RESIDENCE, OFFICIAL STATION of PERSON by whom MARRIED
March 1, 1997	Ronald M. Fowler	Grantham NH	02/19/41 NH	George R. Fowler Leola Bean	Kathleen Palmer Justice of the Peace Sutton NH
Grantham NH	Ingeburg M. Smith	Grantham NH	10/11/37 Germany	Heinz J. Smith Luise C. Hartman	
April 26, 1997	Bradford E. Hibbard	Grantham NH	01/30/77 NH	Erwin M. Hibbard Sharon A. Peabody	Kathryn L. Osgood Justice of the Peace Grantham NH
Grantham NH	Jennifer L. Rinaldi	Grantham NH	01/06/78 MA	John D. Rinaldi Louise A. Wilcox	
May 16, 1997	Rodney S. Forward	Grantham NH	05/16/47 MA	Thomas C. Forward Ethal M. Clark	Carla J. Bailey Minister Hanover NH
Hanover NH	Rebecca A. Goodell	Grantham NH	9/14/53 NH	George J. Goodell Helen L. Wheellock	
June 14, 1997	Alan D. Lee	Grantham NH	12/24/47 VT	Fred L. Lee Ruth O. Hills	Stephen E. Pricker Pastor Enfield NH
Grantham NH	Sheila T. Demers	Grantham NH	11/03/55 NH	Clinton E. Tupper Mary E. Malbourn	
June 28, 1997	Richard W. Wren	Grantham NH	11/22/60 WI	Richard F. Wren Mary A. Becker	William R. Daniels Reverend Canterbury NH
Canterbury NH	Susan G. Dickie	Nashua NH	11/23/67 MA	Donald E. Dickie Jean E. Craven	
July 12, 1997	Mark V. Zagarola	Grantham NH	04/02/67 NJ	John E. Zagarola Elaine Bider	Arthur A. Kelliher Roman Catholic Priest Hanover NH
Hanover NH	Leslie D. Smith	Grantham NH	11/20/67	Robert E. Smith Janet M. McMullan	
July 27, 1997	Francis L. Wright	Grantham NH	05/30/48 NH	Dana A. Wright Eleanor M. Tucker	Kathryn Osgood Justice of the Peace Grantham NH
Croydon NH	Karen R. Parkhurst	Grantham NH	08/08/57 VT	Kenneth C. Parkhurst Alberta K. Neilinge	
July 31, 1997	Jonathan B. Haufler	Boise ID	07/29/52 NY	James H. Haufler Patricia A. Delearie	Albert J. Cirone, Jr. Justice of the Peace Lebanon NH
Grantham NH	Carolyn A. Mehl	Boise ID	05/11/62	Robert W. Mehl Mildred F. Munson	
August 8, 1997	John A. Cornell	Grantham NH	07/20/73 NH	John E. Cornell Beth C. Conover	Bernice F. Johnson Justice of the Peace Cornish NH
Cornish NH	Cynthia L. Coutts	Grantham NH	10/31/65 NY	Alan S. Coutts Nancy A. LaBelle	
August 9, 1997	Jeremiah R. Menard	Grantham NH	04/24/76 MA	Robert A. Menard Elizabeth R. Parker	Kenneth C. Czechowicz Justice of the Peace Claremont NH
Grantham NH	Bobbijo Kimball	Grantham NH	08/21/76 NH	Richard L. Kimball Susan A. Dow	
Sept. 20, 1997	Yasko U. Sinkfield	Chamblee GA	01/03/63 GA	Willie H. Sinkfield Emily K. Williams	Kathryn L. Osgood Justice of the Peace Grantham NH
Grantham NH	Amy Sue Cote	Chamblee GA	06/14/71	Michael R. Cote Sue E. Duford	
Sept. 27, 1997	Carl W. Davis	Grantham NH	12/22/66 NH	Bruce A. Davis Harriet E. Barley	Ronald L. LaFontaine Justice of the Peace Newport NH
Grantham NH	Susan E. Hautaniemi	Grantham NH	02/17/60 NH	Kauko L. Hautaniemi Eila D.T. Carl	
Sept. 30, 1997	Steven M. Leone	Grantham NH	12/05/76 NH	Ronald R. Leone Susan J. Cutting	Cheryl A. Breuning Justice of the Peace Newport NH
Grantham NH	Jessica E. Byrne	Grantham NH	08/24/70 NH	Charles L. Byrne Peña Garceau	
October 31, 1997	Eugene G. Eaklor	Grantham NH	09/06/22 MO	Raymond A. Eaklor Myrtle F. Hill	Kathryn L. Osgood Justice of the Peace Grantham NH
Grantham NH	Pauline L. Hastings	Grantham NH	10/07/25 IN	Albert J. Werling Aileen M. Benson	

I hereby certify that the foregoing returns are correct according to the best of
my knowledge and belief — Frances Hastings • Town Clerk





VITAL STATISTICS • BIRTHS & DEATHS

**BIRTHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF GRANTHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997**

DATE of BIRTH	NAME of CHILD	SEX	NAME of FATHER	NAME of MOTHER	RESIDENCE of PARENTS	F**	M**
Jan. 18, 1997	Madison Lynn Preston	F	Brian Roger Preston, Jr.	Katheleen Mary Lewis	Grantham	NH	FL
Feb. 7, 1997	Sarah Elizabeth Hakim	F	Samuel Hakim	Toni Suzanne Hakim	Grantham	Egypt	FL
March 11, 1997	Kyle Don Shepherd	M	Karl C. Shepherd	Deeann Coon	Grantham	UT	UT
March 13, 1997	Morgan Ashley Monette	F	Paul Alan Monette	April Dawn Frost	Grantham	NY	VT
April 9, 1997	Amelia Ann Hammond	F	Randy Allan Hammond	Suzanne Chevarie	Grantham	NH	NH
April 27, 1997	Ross Innis Martin	M	William Canvan Martin	Corrie Sue Wolosin	Grantham	IN	MI
May 30, 1997	Richard Cameron Rogers	M	Richard Harold Rogers	Christine Joann Cameron	Grantham	ME	NH
June 27, 1997	Karli Estelle Swensen	F	Jeffery Scot Swensen	Suzanne Rene Charbono	Grantham	NH	NH
July 3, 1997	John Robert Graham	M	Donald Harold Graham	Christine Marie Chase	Grantham	ME	NH
July 14, 1997	Riley Cote Sleeper	M	Shawn Donald Sleeper	Kimberly Sue Cote	Grantham	NH	NH
July 16, 1997	John Proctor Wilson IV	M	John Proctor Wilson	Kimberly Jean Newhall	Grantham	NY	NH
July 22, 1997	Courtney Amber-Skye Hibbard	F	Bradford Irwin Hibbard	Jennifer Linnea Rinaldi	Grantham	NH	MA
Aug. 13, 1997	Kate Alys Lassiter	F	Craig Lassiter	Leslie Florence Brookman	Grantham	CT	CT
Aug. 14, 1997	Alison Snow Dowd	F	James Michael Dowd	Carissa Robin Fisher	Grantham	MA	NH
Sept. 11, 1997	Andrew Lochlan Kimball	M	Daniel Miles Kimball	Lisa Ann Davidson	Grantham	MI	LA
Sept. 24, 1997	Fallon Porter Siegler	F	Richard Walter Siegler	Rebecca Lee Thomas	Grantham	NJ	PA
Oct. 18, 1997	Ashley Brianna Helie	F	Christopher Robert Helie	Theresa Ann Longo	Grantham	NH	MA

F** BIRTHPLACE of FATHER

M** BIRTHPLACE of MOTHER



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DEATHS REGISTERED IN THE TOWN OF GRANTHAM FOR THE YEAR ENDING DECEMBER 31, 1997

DATE of DEATH	NAME & SURNAME of DECEASED	AGE	PLACE of BIRTH	SINGLE, MARRIED, WIDOWED	OCCUPATION	NAME of FATHER	NAME of MOTHER
Jan. 14, 1997	Daniel G. Braman	90	MA	M Married	Ship Fitter	Daniel Braman	Lula V. Dayton
Jan. 27, 1997	Nancy P. Giaccone	42	MA	F Divorced	Records Secretary	Norman H. Ellms	Jean A. Ashton
Feb. 24, 1997	Virginia Lemley	71	MO	F Married	Homemaker	Lyle M. Robertson	Golda B. Baker
April 29, 1997	Joyce Ann Andrews	60	ME	F Married	Realtor	Almon H. Stratton	Winifred Caswel
June 7, 1997	Walter C. Mission	68	MA	M Married	Arch. Engineer	Arthur W. Mission	Mabel Clawson
July 15, 1997	Margery H. Johnson	67	CA	F Married	Homemaker	Warren F. Howe	Irene S. Walbert
Sept. 4, 1997	Josephine A. La Vigne	81	NJ	F Married	Homemaker	Frank Yoerger	Emma Haag
Nov. 26, 1997	George W. Bond	79	PA	M Widowed	College Professor	George W. Bond	Mae Thompson
Dec. 31, 1997	Allen E. Sailors	64	IN	M Married	Mgr. Service Station	Allen A. Sailors	Mildred Baker

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ABOUT GRANTHAM



CID NUMBER:	007
COUNTY:	Sullivan
LABOR MARKET AREA:	Hartford-Lebanon VT-NH
	MILES
DISTANCE TO: Manchester, NH	76
Boston, MA	123
New York, NY	221
Montreal, Canada	205
ELEVATION:	955 feet
TEMPERATURE (°F): Annual Average	43.4 °
January Average	17.3 °
July Average	68.5 °
PRECIPITATION: Annual Average	35 in.

DEMOGRAPHICS

Population	1996	1990	1980	1970
Community	1,352	1,247	704	366
County	39,743	38,592	36,063	30,949

1990 Population by Age:	5 and under	89
	6 to 17	161
	18 to 29	130
	30 to 59	511
	60 to 69	214
	70 and over	142

EMPLOYMENT 1990

Per Capita Income:	\$19,159
Median Household Income:	\$42,738
Average Weekly Wage:	\$285

LARGEST EMPLOYERS	Product/Service	No.	Since
Yankee Barn Homes	Home builders	45	1971
Eastman C.A.	Housing/Dev.	23	1971
Cote & Reney	Lumber Yard	16	

LABOR FORCE	1990
Total Number of Employers:	37
Total Workers Employed:	546
Labor Force Participation Rate:	Male 63.5%
	Female 48.3%
Education Levels: High School & higher	88.3%
Bachelor's Degree & higher	43.0%

EMPLOYMENT by OCCUPATION GROUP 1990	
Executive/ Administrative/ Managerial:	96
Professional Specialty:	86
Technician/ Related Support:	19
Sales Workers:	82
Administrative Support/ Clerical:	62
Private Household:	0
Protective Service:	5
Services, Other:	39
Farming/ Forestry/ Fishing	25
Precision Production/ Craft/ Repair:	62
Machine Operators/ Assemblers:	28
Transportation/ Material Moving:	24
Handlers/ Helpers/ Laborers:	18

COMMUTING PATTERNS	1990
Mean Travel Time to Work (minutes)	24.06
% Residents Working in Community:	19.3%
% Residents Commuting Elsewhere:	80.7%
% Nonresidents Commuting In:	71.3%

MUNICIPAL INFO

Town Hall Hours:	Tues.-Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5 p.m.
Type of Government:	Selectmen
Fiscal Year:	1996
Annual Budget	\$1,027,067
Expenditure/ Capita	\$780.45
Planning Board	Elected
Industrial Plans Reviewed by:	Planning Board
Zoning:	1990/96
Master Plan:	1994
Capital Improvement Plan:	No
Full-time Police Department:	Yes
Full-time Fire Department:	No
Town Fire Insurance Rating:	9/9

TAXES	1996
Local Property Tax Rate (per thousand):	\$14.89
Assessment Ratio:	0.84
Full Value Property Tax (per thousand):	\$13.36
1994 Valuation:	Residential: 96.24%
	Commercial: 2.72%
	Other: 1.04%

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**ABOUT GRANTHAM***Continued from previous page***MEDICAL & HEALTH****HOUSING****1995**

Single Family Units:	1043
Number of Building Permits:	27
Multi-family Units	339
Number of Building Permits:	0
Mobile Homes:	33
Median Gross Rent:	\$600
Median Housing Costs:	\$163,000

Nearest Hospital:	New London	10 miles
		91 Beds
Number of Doctors Working in Town:		2

EDUCATION

Elementary:	1	K-6	174 Students
Middle & High Schools			14 miles
		Lebanon Jr. & Sr. High School	
Nearest Technical College:		Claremont	
Nearest College/University		Colby-Sawyer	
		Lebanon	
		Dartmouth	

UTILITIES

Electric Supplier:	PSNH/NH Electric Coop
Natural Gas Supplier:	None
Water Supplier:	Municipal
Source:	Dug Wells
Average Usage (1000 gal/day):	124
Excess Capacity (1000 gal/day):	0.29
Sanitation Sewer:	Private
Municipal Treatment Plant:	(Not applicable)
Telephone Company:	Bell Atlantic
Telephone Switching:	Digital
Cellular Phone Access:	Yes
Cable Television:	Yes

COMMUNITY

Protestant Churches:	1
Catholic Churches:	0
Synagogues:	0
Hotels/Motels:	0
Bed & Breakfast Establishments:	0
Shopping Centers/Malls:	2 small complexes
Cinemas:	0
Live Theatre:	0
Museums:	0
Library:	Dunbar Free Library
Municipal Parks:	1
YMCA/YWCA:	0
Indoor/Outdoor Swimming:	1
Indoor Skating Rinks:	0
Tennis Courts:	12
Bowling Centers:	1
Nearest Ski Areas:	Eastman Alpine Center
	Mount Sunapee
	Whaleback

TRANSPORTATION

Road Access:	Federal Routes:	None
	State Routes:	10
Nearest Interstate:	Local Access	I-89, Exit 13
Railroad:		None
Public Transportation:		
Nearest Airport:		Newport
	Runway:	2800 feet
	Lighted:	No
	Navigational Aids:	Yes
Nearest Commercial Airport:		Lebanon
	Distance:	20 miles

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GIRL SCOUTS IN GRANTHAM



"THE GIRL COMES FIRST IN GIRL SCOUTING"

Arts, crafts, museums, sleigh rides, swimming, parades, hiking, Girl Scout camp, friends, and fun ...

These are just a few of the neat activities our Girl Scouts enjoyed last year! Brownie Troop #2060 had a record-breaking year, and was acknowledged by the Swift Water Girl Scout Council Headquarters in Manchester, NH, for its increase in membership and incredible cookie sales for a town our size! membership increased top 23 girls; and during the 1997 Cookie sale, over 2,000 boxes of cookies were sold!

PROJECT PUPPY LOVE was our 1997 Service Project. The girls collected old blankets, toys, food, and other items for the Upper Valley Humane Society and the many dogs, cats, puppies, and kittens waiting to be adopted. It was a huge success and very much appreciated by the UVHS.

Our increase in membership for Brownie Girl Scouts (grades 1-3) lead to the organizing of a second troop. We welcomed Troop #60 this fall, which was originally lead by Kathy Theophelakes. Elizabeth Monteleone has assumed leadership for Troop #60; we were sad to see the Theophelakes

leave Grantham, and thank them for helping out Troop #2060 the last few years. Troop #60 is busy learning the Girl Scout ways and making big plans for the coming year.

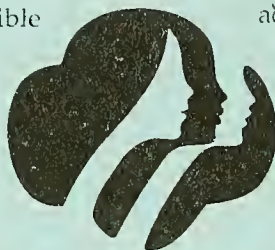
Girl Scout Junior Troop #170, lead by Cindy O'Brien, has eight girls registered. They have performed numerous service projects for area nursing homes already, and are planning many fun activities for 1998. Out of the eight girls registered, at least five will be attending Girl Scout camp this year — a large number for a troop that size.

We have one cadette Girl Scout this year. Heather Bowers, a 7th Grader at Lebanon Junior High School, has decided that no matter how small the troop — there's still big fun to be had in Girl Scouts. She is participating as an independent

Girl Scout.

The leaders and the girls would like to thank the Grantham Community for their continued support — and we welcome your thoughts and suggestions for community service projects at any time.

*Respectfully submitted,
Michele Daigle*



GIRL SCOUTS

BROWNIE TROOP #2060

Michele Daigle, Leader
Sheara Bailey, Co-Leader

BROWNIE TROOP #60

Elizabeth Monteleone, Leader
Linda Arnold, Co-Leader

JUNIOR TROOP #170

Cindy O'Brien, Leader
Michele Daigle, Co-Leader

CADETTE SCOUT •

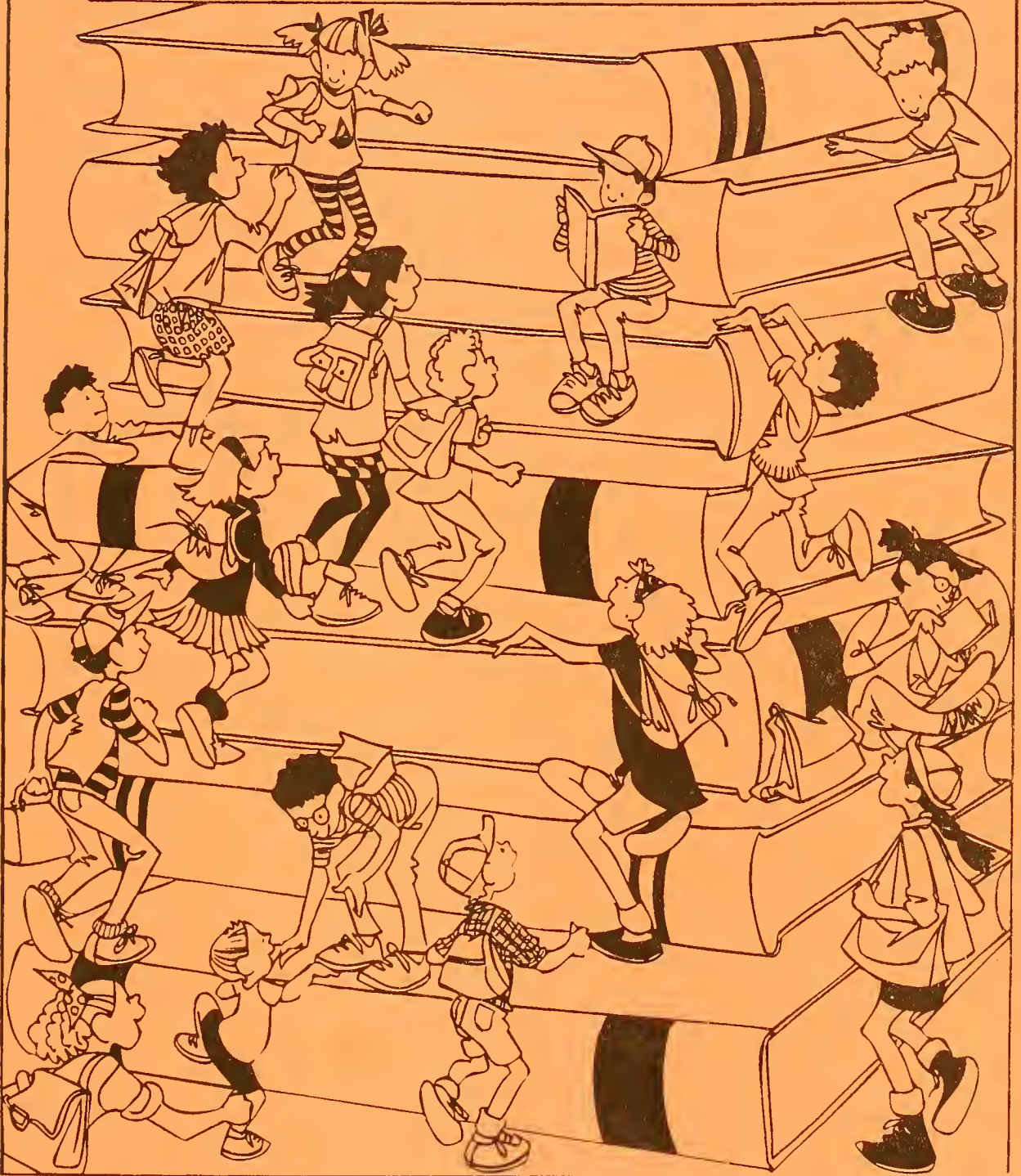
INDEPENDENT

Heather Bowers





GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT





ANNUAL REPORT



GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997



OFFICERS & PERSONNEL OF THE SCHOOL DISTRICT

MODERATOR • Carl Hanson

CLERK • Shannon Hastings

TREASURER • Lori Hawkins

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS

George T. Dorr, III • *Term Expires 2000*

Charles Rogers • *Term Expires 1999*

Shannon Hastings • *Term Expires 1998*

SUPERINTENDENT of SCHOOLS • John D. Fontana

ASSISTANT SUPERINTENDENT • Evelyn Howard

SPECIAL EDUCATION DIRECTOR • Arthur Jillette

BUSINESS ADMINISTRATOR • Ernest A. Muserallo

PRINCIPAL • Martha Hunt





DISTRICT MEETING RULES



The following are the proposed rules for the Grantham School District Meeting, as carried through from the prior Town Reports.

They are based on *Roberts Rules of Order*.

1 — No article may be brought up for reconsideration unless it is brought up immediately after the vote has been determined and announced, before any other business is conducted.

2 — Passing over an article is not in the spirit of the meeting, and will be ruled out of order.

3 — Registered voters only will be seated on the main floor and in the center section of the bleachers. Non-voters will be seated in the side sections of the bleachers. Non-voters may be allowed to address the meeting only if the meeting votes to permit it.

4 — Whenever a voter wishes to speak, he or she

will address the moderator and identify himself or herself.

5 — The moderator will conduct a secret "yes - no" ballot when five (5) voters make a written request prior to voice or division vote on any article open for discussion.

6 — The moderator will take a secret "yes - no" vote when seven (7) or more voters question any non-ballot vote immediately after the vote is declared, and before any other business is conducted.

7 — All proposed amendments to articles will be submitted in writing to the moderator prior to discussion of the amendment.

IDEA & PRESCHOOL ENTITLEMENT FUNDS: APPLICATION FOR GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT.

IDEA entitlement and preschool funds are based on the actual number of special needs students in the districts. Based on an estimated grant of \$394 per special need student in Fiscal Year 98, it is expected that Grantham will qualify for a total grant of \$11,032 in FY 99.

These funds must be used to supplement our local expenditures. They cannot be used to reduce an amount spent by local funds in a prior fiscal year. During the current fiscal year these funds were used to pay for such services as student evaluations and related support services. Some of the funds are used to help us actively seek out, locate, and evaluate children who may be eligible for special education services. Federal law requires that we do this. The specific manner in which we propose to spend these funds is outlined in a grant application which will be submitted in June of 1998. Delivery of the services proposed is contingent upon the approval of the application and the actual receipt of funds.



VILLAGE SCHOOL ENROLLMENT

	OCT 1, '97	JAN. 26, '98
Kindergarten	23	24
First Grade	31	30
Second Grade	22	23
Third Grade	28	29
Fourth Grade	21	22
Fifth Grade	22	23
Sixth Grade	22	23
TOTAL	169	174





GRANTHAM TUITION STUDENTS



1997-1998 SCHOOL YEAR



ATTENDING LEBANON JUNIOR HIGH SCHOOL

Bard, Rebecca
Bowers, Heather
Brewer, Jesse
Cinquemani, Shiloh
Clary, Margaret
Clements, Laura
Curran, Robert
Gilson, Andrew

GRADE 7

Hale, Lindsay
Jordan, Marisa
Labelle, Devon
Mellow, Erin
Michelson, Glenn
Muir, Megan
Partridge, Andy
Pillsbury, Belinda

Stadtmiller, Mark
Stauffer, Jason
Tomlinson, Patience
Underhill, Mallory
Valcourt, David
Valcourt, Douglas
Wentzell, Tad
Wenz, Sarah
Winchester, Laura



GRADE 8

Barron, Janine
Brown, Christina
Chaloux, Jason
Covill, Kimberly
Dearing, Christopher
Dobson, Amanda
Hanson, Ian

Hibbs, Jeremy
Hoisington, Adam
Jordan, Ryan
LeClair, Thomas
Lejeune, Danielle
Lozeau, Kenneth
Lozeau, Kevin

MacPherson, Knicole
Palmer, Kaitlin
Rodizza, Dominic
Shepherd, David
Shiley, Jared
Thomas, Jesse
Watson, Sean



GRADE 9

Bohrer, Alexis
Calvert, Victoria
Cinquemani, Aaron
Clark, Abigail
Clements, Caitlin
Daigle, Melanie
Demers, Larissa
Dobson, Angela

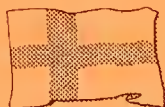
Dowling, Rebecca
Dyer, Travis
Figley, Jessica
Griffin, Rita
Hale, Ashley
Jarvis, Charles
Johns, Aaron
Jordon, Andrew

Jordan, Stephen
LeClair, Daniel
Rappaport, Meredith
Tomlinson, Kathryn
Towle-Kimball, Pia
Turner, Esther
Underhill, Meredith
Winchester, Joanna



ATTENDING LEBANON HIGH SCHOOL

Also, from
FINLAND
Youth for
Understanding
Student
Suvi
Valkonen



Tuition Waived

Anderson, Moira
Bard, James
Bauer, Emily
Cartier, Shawn
Clayton, Nathan
Daigle, Stefanie
Davidson, Christopher

GRADE 10

Follensbee, William
Fretz, Samantha
Gaskin, Keith
Hoisington, Dennis
Jamback, Sara
Keefe, Shannon
Kelley, Sean

Knowles, Hannah
Margolis, Eli
Mellow, Meagan
Newhall, William
Palmer, Kristina
Place, Ryan
Rodizza, Danielle
Towle-Kimball, Tegan

GRADE 11

Griffin, Richard
Hastings, Justin
Hautaniemi, Thomas
Noyes, Heather
Reney, Aaron

Reney, Jeremy
Roberts, Jennifer
Stamper, Katie
Tillotson, Jesse
Zweeres, Matthew

GRADE 12

Clark, Zachary
Curtis, Josiah
Davidson, Donna
Demers, Jared
Dickerson, Anthony

Felgate, Pilara
Gilbert, Matthew
Gilson, Jonathan
Gilson, Tristan
Gregor, Galen

Milsted, Sharon
Morse, Riley
Newhall, Rebecca
O'Brien, Christopher
Stevens, Gregory



**SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT: 1998****SULLIVAN, SS****SCHOOL DISTRICT
OF GRANTHAM**

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building in said Grantham, New Hampshire, on Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at 7:00 PM to act on the following subject:

Note: The election of Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer, and a Member of the School Board will

be acted upon on Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at the same polling places as the election of Town Officials from 10:00 A.M. to 6:00 P.M. Voting will be by official ballot and checklist.

Note: Under New Hampshire RSA 40:4-a: any five voters may request in writing prior to a vote by voice vote or division vote that the vote be taken by secret written ballot. Upon receiving such a written request, the Moderator shall conduct the vote by secret "yes-no" ballot. Under RSA 40:4-b: when any vote, other than by ballot, declared by the Moderator or other officer presiding shall, immedi-

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TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE • TUESDAY MARCH 11, 1997
1997 SCHOOL DISTRICT BALLOT RESULTS • ELECTION OF OFFICERS
SCHOOL BOARD • 3 YEARS

George A. (Terry) Dorr III	216
Arthur A. Seidel	5
Richard S. Rager	2
April Whittaker	2
Louise Parsons	1
Brian Stearns	1
Cindy Towle	1

**George A. (Terry) Dorr was elected.*

TREASURER • 1 YEAR

Lori L. Hawkins	213
Rush Limbaugh	1

**Lori L. Hawkins was elected.*

MODERATOR • 1 YEAR

Carl Hanson	37
Merle Schotanus	10
Richard Whiting	4
Jim Berg	2
Shannon E. Hastings	1
Mike Hawkins	1
Warren Kimball	1
Russ Lary	1
Carl Nelson	1
Bob Osgood	1
Jim Peirce	1
Ted Short	1
"Dingles" Tate	1
Allen Walker	1

**Carl Hanson was elected.*

SCHOOL CLERK • 1 YEAR

Shannon E. Hastings	12
Frances Hastings	3
Susan Berg	2
Kathie Hale	2
Carrie Hastings	2
Cindy Towle	2
Shirley Curtis	1
Bridget Fischer	1
Joey Holmes	1
Constance Howard	1
Russ Lary	1
Helen Schotanus	1
Jimmy Tate	1
Tammi Wilson	1
Allen Walker	1
April Whittaker	1

**Shannon E. Hastings was elected*

**BALLOT QUESTION
RESULTS:**

"Shall we adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Grantham School District."

(3/5ths majority vote required to pass)

YES=107 NO=129

*The question was defeated since 148 YES votes were required in order to achieve a 3/5ths majority to pass.

I hereby certify that the foregoing results are correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

Shannon E. Hastings
Shannon E. Hastings
School District Clerk

March 20, 1997
Date





SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT: 1998



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ately and before any other business is begun, be questioned in writing or orally by seven or more of the voters present, the Moderator or other officer presiding shall retake the vote by secret "yes-no" ballot.

ARTICLE 1. To hear the reports of Agents, Committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

ARTICLE 2. To see if the District will raise and appropriate two million three hundred fifty six thousand two hundred twenty eight Dollars (\$2,356,228) for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance which is to be raised by taxation by the District.

(Recommended by the School Board)

ARTICLE 3. To see if the Grantham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of nine thousand dollars (\$9,000) to be added to the expendable general fund trust fund created on March 5, 1996 to repair and maintain the school building, under the provisions of RSA 198:20c.

(Recommended by the School Board)

ARTICLE 4. To see if the Grantham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in the Grantham Village School Building Fund created March 4, 1997, for the purpose of constructing an addition to the school building.

(Recommended by the School Board)

ARTICLE 5. To determine and appoint the salaries of the Grantham School Board, and fix the compensation of any other officers and agents of the District as follows: Board Chair - \$300; 2 Board members at \$200 per individual = \$400; School District Treasurer - \$500; School District Clerk - \$50; School District Moderator - \$50; Supervisor of the Checklist - \$25 per meeting.

(Recommended by the School Board)

ARTICLE 6. "In accordance with RSA 671:4, the number of members of the Grantham School Board shall be five (5) persons, beginning with the election to be held in 1999."

(By petition)

(Not recommended by the School Board)

ARTICLE 7. To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham this 5th day of February, 1998

Shannon E. Hastings

George A. Dorr, III

Charles Rogers, Chair

A true copy: Attest

GRANTHAM SCHOOL BOARD





SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE
DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE ADMINISTRATION
MUNICIPAL SERVICES DIVISION
61 So. Spring St., P.O. Box 1122
Concord, NH 03302-1122
(603) 271-3397

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SCHOOL BUDGET FORM

OF _____ GRANTHAM _____ N.H.

Appropriations and Estimates of Revenue for the Fiscal Year From

JULY 1, 1998 to JUNE 30, 1999

IMPORTANT: Please read RSA 325 applicable to all municipalities

1 Use this form to list **ALL APPROPRIATIONS** in the appropriate recommended and not recommended area. This means the operating budget and all special and individual warrant articles must be posted.

2 Hold at least one public hearing on this budget

3 When completed, a copy of the budget must be posted with the warrant. Another copy must be placed on file with the school district clerk, and a copy sent to the Department of Revenue Administration at the address above.

Certified That Budget Was Posted With Warrant on (Date) February 5, 1998

Charles R. Rogers

Shannon E. Hastings

John A.

SCHOOL BOARD MEMBERS: PLEASE SIGN ABOVE IN INK

THIS BUDGET SHALL BE POSTED WITH THE SCHOOL WARRANT

(Rev. 1997)



**SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998**Year 1998-99Budget of the School District of Grantham

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr Art. #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/96 to 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DRA	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
INSTRUCTION (1000-1999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
1100-1199	Regular Programs		1,248,057	1,467,010	1,537,474	
1200-1299	Special Programs		79,470	111,295	89,376	
1300-1399	Vocational Programs					
1400-1499	Other Programs		5,328	6,202	8,090	
1600-1699	Adult/Continuing Ed					
SUPPORT SERVICES (2000-2999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
Pupil Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2110-2119	Attendance & Social Work		- 0 -	140	140	
2120-2129	Guidance		18,909	19,387	19,964	
2130-2139	Health		12,701	12,815	18,171	
2140-2149	Psychological					
2150-2159	Speech Pathology & Audiology					
2190-2199	Other Pupil Serv.					
Instructional Staff Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2210-2219	Improvement of Instruction		10,280	14,425	14,425	
2220-2229	Educational Media		35,356	43,734	47,520	
2290-2299	Other Instr. Staff					
General Administration			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310	School Board		XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2310 870	Contingency					
2310-2319	All Other Objects		9,805	11,507	13,507	
Office of Superintendent			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2320 351	SAU Mgmt. Services		107,101	105,655	85,000	
2320-2329	All Other Objects					
2330-2339	Special Area Admin. Services					
2390-2399	Other Gen. Adm. Serv.					
2400-2499	School Admin. Serv.		78,770	86,607	93,292	
Business Services			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
2520-2529	Fiscal					



**SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998**Year 1998-99

Budget - School District of _____

Grantham

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Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art. #	Expenditures for Year 7/1/96 to 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved by DEA	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
2540-2545	Operation & Maint. of Plant		92,272	89,386	89,763	
2550-2559	Pupil Transport.					
2570-2579	Procurement		69,746	87,581	94,164	
2590-2599	Other Business Serv					
2600-2699	Managerial Services					
2900-2999	Other Support Serv.		90,817	103,074	115,114	
3000-3999	COMMUNITY SERVICES					
4000-4999	FACILITIES ACQUISITIONS & CONSTRUCTION					
OTHER OUTLAYS (5000-5999)			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5100 830	Debt Serv. - Princ.		110,000	110,000	105,000	
5100 840	Debt Serv. - Int.		32,445	24,745	18,428	
Fund Transfers			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX
5220	To Special Revenue		- 0 -	1,800	1,800	
5230	To Capital Projects		(1,360)			
5240	To Food Service		- 0 -	- 0 -	5,000	
5250-5254	To Capital Reserve	3 & 4	14,000	64,000	- 0 -	
5255	To Health Maint. Trust					
5256-5259	To Other Trusts					
	Supplemental					
	Deficit					
SUBTOTAL 1			2,013,697	2,359,363	2,356,228	

If you have a line item of appropriations from more than one warrant article, please use the space below to identify the make-up of the line total for the ensuing year.

Acct. #	Warr. Art#	Amount	Acct. #	Warr. Art. #	Amount
5250	3	9,000			
5250	4	50,000			

**SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998**Year 1998-99 Budget - School District of Grantham

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****SPECIAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

Special warrant articles are defined in RSA 32:3,VI, as appropriations 1) in petitioned warrant articles; 2) appropriations raised by bonds or notes; 3) appropriating to a separate fund created pursuant to law, such as capital reserve funds or trusts funds; or 4) an appropriation designated on the warrant as a special article or as a nonlapsing or nontransferable article.

Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,V)	Warr. Art.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/96 to 6/30/97	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	APPROPRIATION ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
5250	Expendable Trust	3	14,000	14,000	9,000	
5250	Capital Reserve	4	- 0 -	50,000	50,000	
SUBTOTAL 2 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX	59,000	XXXXXXXXXX

****INDIVIDUAL WARRANT ARTICLES****

"Individual" warrant articles are not necessarily the same as "special warrant articles". Examples of individual warrant articles might be: 1) Negotiated cost items for labor agreements; 2) contingency appropriations; 3) supplemental appropriations for the current year for which funding is already available; or 4) deficit appropriations for the current year which must be funded through taxation.

Acct. #	PURPOSE OF APPROPRIATIONS (RSA 32:3,VI)	Warr. Art.#	Expenditures for Year 7/1/ to 6/30/	Appropriations Prior Year As Approved By DRA	APPROPRIATION ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (RECOMMENDED)	APPROPRIATIONS ENSUING FISCAL YEAR (NOT RECOMMENDED)
SUBTOTAL 3 Recommended			XXXXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXXXX		XXXXXXXXXX



**SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998**Year 1998-99

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Budget of the School District of Grantham

Acct. #	SOURCE OF REVENUE OR CREDIT	Warr. Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	Estimated Revenue Ending Fiscal Year
REVENUE FROM STATE SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
3110	Foundation Aid				
3210	School Building Aid		40,048	35,762	
3220-3223	Area Vocational School				
3230	Driver Education				
3260	Cetastrophic Aid				
3250	Adult Education				
	Child Nutrition				
	Kindergarten Aid		15,500	17,250	
	Other State Aid (Specify)				
REVENUE FROM FEDERAL SOURCES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
4410	IASA, Title I & II		- 0 -	1,800	
4430	Vocational Education				
4450	Adult Education				
4460	Child Nutrition Programs				
4470	Handicapped Programs				
	Federal Forest Land				
	Other Federal Sources (Identify)				
LOCAL REVENUE OTHER THAN TAXES			XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX	XXXXXXXX
5100	Sale of Bonds or Notes				
5230	Transfer from Capital Projects Fund				
5250	Transfer from Capital Reserve Fund				
5255	Transfer from Expendable Trust Fund				
1300-1360	Tuition				
1400-1443	Transportation Fees				
1500-1599	Earnings on Investments		1,389	1,000	
1600	Food Service				
1700-1799	Pupil Activities				



**SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998**Year 1998-99Budget - School District of Grantham

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Acct. #	Source of Revenue or Credit	Warr. Art. #	Actual Revenues Prior Year	Revised Revenue Current Year	Estimated Revenue Ending Fiscal Year
1800	Community Services Activities				
1900-1999	Other Local Sources (Identify)		853	- 0 -	
	THIS SECTION FOR CALCULATION OF RAN's (REIMBURSEMENT ANTICIPATION NOTES) PER RSA 198:20-D FOR CATASTROPHIC AID BORROWING RAN, Revenue This FY _____ less RAN, Revenue Last FY _____ = NET RAN				
	Supplemental Appropriation (Contra)				
	Appropriations Voted From Fund Balance				
	Fund Balance to Reduce Taxes		108,572	57,006	
TOTAL REVENUES AND CREDITS			166,362	112,818	

****BUDGET SUMMARY****

SUBTOTAL 1 Recommended (from page 2)	2,356,228
SUBTOTAL 2 Special Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	59,000
SUBTOTAL 3 "Individual" Warrant Articles Recommended (from page 3)	- 0 -
TOTAL Appropriations Recommended	2,415,228
Less: Amount of Estimated Revenues & Credits (from above)	217,315
Estimated Amount of Taxes To Be Raised For School District Assessment	2,197,913





SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION										GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT										BUDGET - Public Hearing		
B		C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J													
Description		1995-1996 Actual	1996-1997 Actual	1997-1998 Budget	1997-1998 Estimated	1998-1999 Budget	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase														
										NOTES												
4	REGULAR EDUCATION																					
5	Salaries - Teachers	\$266,911	\$288,597	\$331,785	\$351,284	\$362,723	\$30,938	9.32%														
6	Salaries - Aides	\$20,360	\$27,689	\$26,279	\$26,279	\$27,330	\$1,051	4.00%														
7	Salaries - Sub Teachers	\$5,895	\$11,460	\$8,500	\$10,500	\$12,850	\$4,350	51.18%														
8	Additional Pay Teachers	\$1,500	\$0	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$4,000	\$0	0.00%														
9	Retirement - Teachers	\$5,660	\$5,982	\$8,570	\$9,417	\$9,309	\$739	8.62%														
10	Retirement - Employees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0															
11	FICA	\$22,492	\$25,021	\$28,348	\$28,884	\$31,128	\$2,780	9.81%														
12	Educational Contract Service	\$1,621	\$1,834	\$2,940	\$3,340	\$3,340	\$400	13.61%														
13	Speech Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%														
14	Repairs Instructional services	\$0	\$2,286	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%														
15	Tuition Jr High School	\$273,998	\$316,846	\$390,728	\$347,517	\$377,706	(\$13,022)	-3.33%														
16	Tuition High School	\$395,699	\$527,221	\$622,030	\$541,144	\$644,640	\$22,610	3.63%														
17	Supplies	\$13,517	\$13,076	\$21,245	\$21,245	\$23,045	\$1,800	8.47%														
18	Textbooks	\$1,712	\$3,897	\$5,380	\$5,380	\$6,255	\$875	16.26%														
19	New Equipment	\$24,046	\$19,507	\$4,974	\$4,974	\$5,127	\$4,233	473.49%														
20	Replacement Equipment	\$1,544	\$0	\$894	\$894	\$4,080	(\$4,257)	-51.06%														
21	Furniture	\$0	\$4,642	\$8,337	\$8,337	\$1,537,474	\$70,464	4.80%														
22	REGULAR EDUCATION	\$1,034,955	\$1,248,057	\$1,467,010	\$1,366,195																	
23																						
24	SPECIAL EDUCATION																					
25	Salaries - Teachers	\$37,789	\$51,410	\$54,125	\$38,911	\$42,772	(\$11,353)	-20.98%														
26	Salaries - Aide	\$8,215	\$10,438	\$18,281	\$12,817	\$9,674	(\$8,607)	-47.08%														
27	Retirement - Teachers	\$622	\$1,249	\$1,559	\$1,187	\$1,253	(\$306)	-19.63%														
28	Retirement - Employees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0															
29	FICA	\$3,519	\$4,713	\$5,540	\$4,152	\$4,012	(\$1,528)	-27.58%														
30	Private Assessment	\$3,898	\$1,999	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%														
31	Speech Therapy	\$833	\$6,347	\$10,550	\$10,550	\$10,550	\$0	0.00%														
32	Occupational Therapy	\$0	\$0	\$1,610	\$1,610	\$1,610	\$0	0.00%														
33	Psychological Services	\$828	\$250	\$5,240	\$5,240	\$5,240	\$0	0.00%														
34	Services Other	\$390	\$150	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%														
35	Non-Public Tuition	\$1,097	\$1,154	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$3,500	\$0	0.00%														
36	Travel	\$439	\$378	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$3,500	\$0	0.00%														
37	Supplies	\$888	\$1,182	\$1,890	\$3,000	\$3,000	\$0	0.00%														
38	SPECIAL EDUCATION	\$58,517	\$79,470	\$111,295	\$1,890	\$1,765	(\$125)	-6.61%														
39				\$111,295	\$88,857	\$89,376	(\$21,919)	-19.69%														





SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION				GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT				BUDGET - Public Hearing			
B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J			
Description	1995-1996 Actual	1996-1997 Actual	1997-1998 Budget	1997-1998 Estimated	1998-1999 Budget	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase	NOTES			
1											
2											
40											
41	CO-CURR ACTIVITIES										
42	District Support	\$4,335	\$5,328	\$6,202	\$6,202	\$8,090	30.44%				
43	CO-CURR ACTIVITIES	\$4,335	\$5,328	\$6,202	\$6,202	\$8,090	30.44%				
44											
45											
46	ATTENDANCE										
47	Salaries Truant Officer	\$0	\$0	\$40	\$0	\$40	0.00%				
48	Fee Census Taker	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$0	\$100	0.00%				
49	ATTENDANCE	\$0	\$0	\$140	\$0	\$140	0.00%				
50											
51	GUIDANCE										
52	Salaries	\$17,053	\$17,565	\$17,916	\$17,916	\$18,452	2.99%				
53	Retirement	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%				
54	FICA	\$1,305	\$1,344	\$1,371	\$1,371	\$1,412	2.99%				
55	Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%				
56	Testing	\$0	\$0	\$100	\$100	\$100	0.00%				
57	GUIDANCE	\$18,358	\$18,909	\$19,387	\$19,387	\$19,964	2.98%				
58											
59	HEALTH SERVICES										
60	Salaries	\$11,735	\$10,980	\$11,412	\$11,537	\$16,499	44.58%				
61	FICA	\$852	\$840	\$873	\$883	\$1,262	44.56%				
62	Supplies	\$326	\$193	\$410	\$410	\$0	0.00%				
63	New Equipment	\$116	\$687	\$120	\$120	\$0	-100.00%				
64	HEALTH SERVICES	\$13,030	\$12,701	\$12,815	\$12,950	\$18,171	41.79%				
65											
66	STAFF DEVELOPMENT										
67	Staff Training	\$4,846	\$10,280	\$14,425	\$14,425	\$0	0.00%				
68	STAFF DEVELOPMENT	\$4,846	\$10,280	\$14,425	\$14,425	\$0	0.00%				
69											
70	MEDIA CENTER										
71	Salaries - Media Generalist	\$19,088	\$23,815	\$26,307	\$26,307	\$27,638	5.06%				
72	Salaries - Aide	\$0	\$0	\$5,051	\$5,233	\$5,442	0.00%				
73	Retirement - Media Generalist	\$0	\$579	\$758	\$802	\$810	6.86%				
74	FICA Media Center	\$1,444	\$1,771	\$2,398	\$2,412	\$2,530	5.50%				
75	Regional Center & Arts	\$1,400	\$1,400	\$1,600	\$1,600	\$0	0.00%				
76	Supplies	\$182	\$464	\$780	\$780	\$950	21.79%				





SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION					GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT					BUDGET - Public Hearing	
B		C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J		
	Description	1995-1996 Actual	1996-1997 Actual	1997-1998 Budget	1997-1998 Estimated	1998-1999 Budget	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase	NOTES		
1											
2											
77	MEDIA CENTER (cont'd)										
78	Books & AV	\$2,770	\$4,267	\$3,600	\$3,600	\$4,000	\$400	11.11%			
79	Equipment	\$266	\$265	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$0	0.00%			
80	Computer Software	\$3,958	\$2,796	\$2,540	\$2,540	\$3,850	\$1,310	\$1.57%			
81	MEDIA CENTER	\$29,109	\$35,356	\$43,734	\$43,974	\$47,520	\$3,786	8.66%			
82											
83	SCHOOL BOARD EXPENSES										
84	Salaries School Board	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$700	\$0	0.00%			
85	Salaries - Clerk of the Board	\$697	\$618	\$600	\$600	\$600	\$0	0.00%			
86	Salaries - Treasurer	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	0.00%			
87	Salaries - Other Officers	\$0	\$0	\$105	\$105	\$105	\$0	0.00%			
88	FICA	\$122	\$124	\$152	\$152	\$152	\$0	0.00%			
89	Contract Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.00%			
90	Advertising	\$2,435	\$1,781	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$1,700	\$0	0.00%			
91	Legal Counsel	\$655	\$390	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	0.00%			
92	Audit Annual Report	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,200	\$2,000	\$2,200	\$0	0.00%			
93	Fidelity Bonds	\$180	\$180	\$250	\$250	\$250	\$0	0.00%			
94	Expenses	\$3,393	\$3,512	\$4,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$2,000	50.00%			
95	District Meeting	\$109	\$0	\$800	\$800	\$800	\$0	0.00%			
96	SCHOOL BOARD	\$10,790	\$9,805	\$11,507	\$13,307	\$13,507	\$2,000	17.38%			
97											
98	SAU ADMINISTRATION										
99	Salary, Superintendent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$30,000	\$30,000				
100	Salary, Administrative Assistant	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$12,800	\$12,800				
101	Salary Driven Benefits	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$3,000	\$3,000				
102	Health & Dental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000				
103	Payroll Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,500	\$1,500				
104	Consulting	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$20,000	\$20,000				
105	Office Rent	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000				
106	Furniture & Equipment	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$5,000	\$5,000				
107	Contingency	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$2,700	\$2,700				
108	SAU 32 Assessment	\$108,635	\$107,101	\$105,655	\$105,655	\$0	(\$105,655)	-100.00%			
109	SAU ADMINISTRATION	\$108,635	\$107,101	\$105,655	\$105,655	\$85,000	(\$20,655)	-19.55%			
110											
111											
112											
113											





SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION										BUDGET - Public Hearing	
GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT											
	B		C	D	E	F	G	H	I	J	
	Description	1995-1996 Actual	1996-1997 Actual	1997-1998 Budget	1997-1998 Estimated	1998-1999 Budget	Dollar Increase	Percent Increase	NOTES		
1											
2											
114	SCHOOL ADMINISTRATION										
115	Salaries - Principal	\$48,889	\$51,334	\$52,360	\$52,360	\$56,314	\$3,954	7.55%			
116	Salaries - Assistant Stipend	\$0	\$0	\$1,000	\$500	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%			
117	Salaries - Office Support	\$12,329	\$10,623	\$13,206	\$13,206	\$13,734	\$528	4.00%			
118	Retirement - Principal	\$1,186	\$1,247	\$1,549	\$1,640	\$1,650	\$101	6.52%			
119	Retirement - Employees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
120	FICA	\$4,642	\$4,651	\$5,092	\$5,092	\$5,435	\$343	6.74%			
121	Reimbursement	\$300	\$385	\$500	\$500	\$500	\$0	0.00%			
122	Admin Services	\$3,302	\$2,557	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$5,459	\$1,259	29.98%			
123	Telephone	\$3,365	\$4,237	\$4,500	\$4,500	\$5,000	\$500	11.11%			
124	Supplies/Other Expenses	\$4,009	\$3,734	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$4,200	\$0	0.00%			
125	SCHOOL ADMIN	\$78,022	\$78,770	\$86,607	\$86,198	\$93,292	\$6,685	7.72%			
126											
127	BUILDING SERVICES										
128	Salaries - Custodians	\$23,817	\$27,802	\$26,780	\$26,780	\$29,364	\$2,584	9.65%			
129	Salaries - Additional Time	\$0	\$0	\$3,276	\$3,276	\$4,000	\$724	22.10%			
130	Retirement - Employees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
131	FICA	\$1,804	\$2,089	\$2,300	\$2,300	\$2,551	\$251	10.93%			
132	Contracted Management Service	\$0	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$2,500	\$0	0.00%			
133	Contracted Service Trash	\$1,368	\$1,344	\$1,540	\$1,540	\$2,500	\$960	62.34%			
134	Contracted Service/Repairs	\$8,386	\$35,325	\$15,000	\$19,446	\$9,000	(\$6,000)	-40.00%			
135	Contracted Equipment Repairs	\$189	\$87	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$1,500	\$0	0.00%			
136	SMP Liability	\$4,861	\$6,562	\$6,890	\$7,280	\$7,498	\$608	8.83%			
137	Supplies - Custodial	\$3,715	\$5,526	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$6,000	\$0	0.00%			
138	Supplies - Equipment Repair	\$475	\$217	\$350	\$550	\$550	\$0	0.00%			
139	LP Gas	\$115	\$109	\$250	\$250	\$500	\$250	100.00%			
140	Electricity	\$7,750	\$9,110	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$10,000	\$0	0.00%			
141	Fuel	\$9,380	\$1,159	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$11,000	\$0	0.00%			
142	New Equipment	\$2,306	\$200	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.00%			
143	Replacement Equipment	\$0	\$243	\$800	\$800	\$1,800	\$1,000	125.00%			
144	BUILDING SERVICES	\$64,147	\$92,272	\$89,386	\$94,222	\$89,763	\$378	0.42%			
145											
146											
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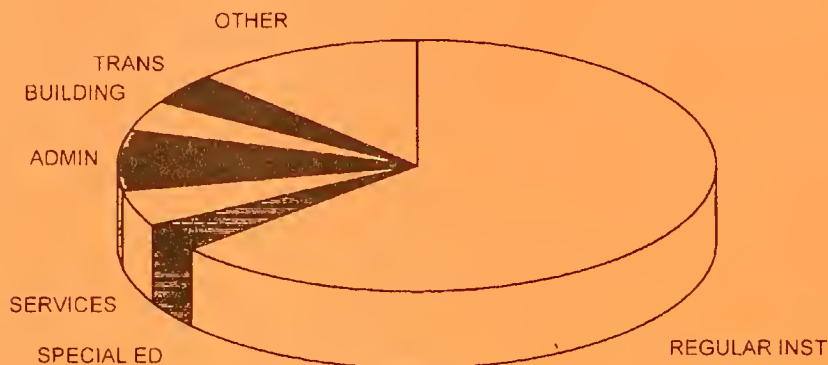


SCHOOL DISTRICT BUDGET: 1998



1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION										GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT										BUDGET - Public Hearing		
B		C		D		E		F		G		H		I		J						
Description		1995-1996 Actual		1996-1997 Actual		1997-1998 Budget		1997-1998 Estimated		1998-1999 Budget		Dollar Increase		Percent Increase		NOTES						
1																						
2																						
TRANSPORTATION																						
151	Salaries - Regular	\$25,470		\$25,787		\$27,187		\$27,188		\$27,387		\$200		0.74%								
153	Salaries - Bus Monitors	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$7,344		\$7,344										
154	Salaries - Activities	\$2,021		\$1,479		\$2,074		\$2,074		\$2,200		\$126		6.08%								
155	Benefits Package	\$1,688		\$741		\$5,304		\$5,304		\$5,570		\$266		5.02%								
156	FICA	\$2,078		\$2,086		\$5,639		\$5,639		\$2,825		(\$2,814)		-49.90%								
157	Service Vehicle Lease	\$34,043		\$33,216		\$36,872		\$36,872		\$37,996		\$1,124		3.05%								
158	Supplies/Fuel	\$7,384		\$6,436		\$10,505		\$10,505		\$10,842		\$337		3.21%								
159	TRANSPORTATION	\$72,684		\$69,746		\$87,581		\$87,582		\$94,164		\$6,583		7.52%								
160																						
INSURANCE SERVICES																						
162	Blue Cross Blue Shield	\$67,989		\$71,006		\$80,535		\$95,604		\$92,598		\$12,063		14.98%								
163	Dental Insurance	\$6,237		\$8,777		\$8,532		\$8,532		\$8,723		\$191		2.24%								
164	Life (Disability Included)	\$2,986		\$2,991		\$4,784		\$3,751		\$4,809		\$25		0.52%								
165	Workers Compensation	\$7,453		\$8,019		\$9,023		\$8,469		\$8,784		(\$239)		-2.65%								
166	Unemployment Compensation	\$0		\$25		\$200		\$200		\$200		\$0		0.00%								
167	INSURANCE SERVICES	\$84,665		\$90,817		\$103,074		\$116,556		\$115,114		\$12,040		11.68%								
168																						
FACILITIES ACQUISITION & CONSTRUCTION																						
170	Planning Addition to School	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		0.00%								
171	FACILITIES	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		0.00%								
172																						
DEBT SERVICE																						
174	Principal Payments	\$110,000		\$110,000		\$110,000		\$110,000		\$105,000		(\$5,000)		-4.55%								
175	Interest Payments	\$40,145		\$32,445		\$24,745		\$24,745		\$18,428		(\$6,318)		-25.53%								
176	DEBT SERVICE	\$150,145		\$142,445		\$134,745		\$134,745		\$123,428		(\$11,318)		-8.40%								
177																						
TRANSFER FUNDS																						
179	Federal Projects	\$0		\$0		\$1,800		\$1,800		\$1,800		\$0		0.00%								
180	Capital Projects	\$0		(\$1,360)		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		0.00%								
181	Food Service	\$0		\$0		\$0		\$0		\$5,000		\$5,000		0.00%								
182	Capital Reserve Fund	\$0		\$14,000		\$64,000		\$64,000		\$59,000		(\$5,000)		-7.81%								
183	TRANSFER FUNDS	\$0		\$12,640		\$65,800		\$65,800		\$65,800		\$0		0.00%								
184																						
185	GRAND TOTAL	\$1,732,237		\$2,013,697		\$2,359,363		\$2,256,054		\$2,415,228		\$55,865		2.37%								
186																						



**BUDGET FUNCTION CHART**
1997-1998 BUDGET FUNCTION PIE CHART
GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

CATEGORY	1998-1999 BUDGET	
REGULAR INST	\$1,537,474	Salaries, Materials, Tuitions & Books for Instruction
SPECIAL ED	\$89,376	Salaries, Materials, Tuitions & Books for Spec Ed
SERVICES	\$108,310	Student Services, Staff Development & Library
ADMIN	\$191,799	School Board, SAU & Principal
BUILDING	\$89,763	Maintenance & Repairs
TRANS	\$94,164	Transportation
OTHER	\$304,342	Benefits, Debt Service & Transfer Funds
TOTAL	\$2,415,228	

TREASURER'S REPORT**GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT FISCAL YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1997**

CASH on HAND July 1, 1996 \$ 158,406.78

RECEIPTS:

Town of Grantham — Current Appropriation	\$ 1,848,545.04
Revenue from State Sources	57,230.07
Revenue from Federal Sources	0.00
Received from Capital Reserve Funds	0.00
Received as income from Trust Funds	17.41
Received from all Other Sources	18,403.83

TOTAL RECEIPTS \$ 1,924,196.35

Total Amount Available for Fiscal Year \$ 2,082,603.13

Less: School Board Orders paid \$ 2,055,014.15

BALANCE on HAND June 30, 1997 \$ 27,588.98*Respectfully submitted — Lori Stailey, Treasurer, Grantham School District*



BUDGET EXPLANATION



GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

1998-1999 Budget Preparation

Budget Explanation

A			B	C
1				
2				
3	Major Expenditure Changes in 1998-1999 Budget		Amount	
4				
5	Increases			
6	Salaries, Regular Education		\$30,938	New/replacement personnel & pay raises
7	High School Tuition (Grades 9 - 12)		\$22,610	85 students at \$7,584 (3 extras)
8	New Equipment		\$17,967	Classroom Computers
9	Nursing Staff Changes		\$5,476	Nurse's time increased 1.5 hours per day & Pay increase
10	Vehicle Contract/Lease		\$1,124	Multi-Year Contract
11	Bus Monitors compensation		\$7,908	New Transportation Program
12	Total		\$86,021	
13				
14	Decreases			
15	Junior High School Tuition (Grades 7 & 8)		(\$13,022)	Reduction of 2 students
16	Classroom Furniture		(\$4,257)	No new classroom changes
17	Special Education (including salaries)		(\$21,919)	New/replacement personnel, pay raises
18	SAU 32 Assessment		(\$20,655)	Withdrawal from SAU #32
19	Building Service/Repairs		(\$6,000)	Reduced number of projects
20	Principal & Interest Payment		(\$11,318)	According to debt schedule
21	Total		(\$77,171)	
22				
23	All Other Accounts		\$47,015	
24				
25	TOTAL		\$55,855	Increase from Expense Budget





REVENUE & EXPENSES



GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

1998-1999 BUDGET PRESENTATION

REVENUE - EXPENSE

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
1		ACTUAL 1996-1997	BUDGET 1997-1998	ESTIMATED 1997-1998	BUDGET 1998-1999	BUDGET INCREASE/ DECREASE	BUDGET PERCENT INC/DEC
2							
3							
4	ACCOUNT NAME						
5							
6							
7	Balance	\$108,672	\$14,486	\$67,006	\$143,309	\$128,823	889.3%
8							
9	Revenue from State Sources						
10	Foundation Aid	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
11	Building Aid	\$40,048	\$35,762	\$35,762	\$38,548	\$2,786	7.8%
12	Kindergarten Aid	\$15,500	\$0	\$17,250	\$17,250	\$17,250	
13	Total State Revenues	\$55,548	\$35,762	\$53,012	\$55,798	\$20,036	58.0%
14							
15	Revenue from Federal Sources	\$0	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$1,800	\$0	0.0%
16							
17	Local Revenue (not taxes)						
18	Earnings on Investments	\$1,389	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$0	0.0%
19	SAU Withdrawal Settlement *	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$15,408	\$0	0.0%
20	Other Miscellaneous	\$853	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%
21	Total Local Revenues	\$2,242	\$1,000	\$1,000	\$16,408	\$0	0.0%
22	* Does not include additional share of year end surplus						
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24	Total Non-assessment Revenues	\$166,362	\$53,048	\$112,818	\$217,315	\$148,859	280.6%
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26	District Assessment (including warrant articles)	\$1,924,188	\$2,308,315	\$2,246,545	\$2,197,913	(\$108,402)	-4.70%
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28	TOTAL REVENUES (including warrant articles)	\$2,060,602	\$2,359,363	\$2,359,363	\$2,416,228	\$37,671	1.60%
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30	TOTAL EXPENSES (including warrant articles)	\$1,993,496	\$2,359,363	\$2,216,054	\$2,416,228	\$55,865	2.37%
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32	BALANCE	\$57,006	\$0	\$143,309	\$0		0.00%





SCHOOL TAX IMPACT



GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION

SCHOOL TAX IMPACT

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1	HOUSE VALUE		1997 CURRENT RATE PER \$1000	1998 CURRENT RATE PER \$1000	1998 CURRENT SCHOOL TAX	1999 PROPOSED RATE PER \$1000*		1999 ESTIMATED SCHOOL TAX		1999 ESTIMATED SCHOOL TAX		1999 ESTIMATED SCHOOL TAX	
2	\$50,000		9.22	9.76	\$488	9.11		\$455		\$455		(\$33)	
3	\$65,000		9.22	9.76	\$634	9.11		\$592		\$592		(\$42)	
4	\$75,000		9.22	9.76	\$732	9.11		\$683		\$683		(\$49)	
5	\$90,000		9.22	9.76	\$878	9.11		\$820		\$820		(\$59)	
6	\$100,000		9.22	9.76	\$976	9.11		\$911		\$911		(\$65)	
7	\$125,000		9.22	9.76	\$1,220	9.11		\$1,139		\$1,139		(\$81)	
8	\$150,000		9.22	9.76	\$1,464	9.11		\$1,366		\$1,366		(\$98)	
9	\$200,000		9.22	9.76	\$1,952	9.11		\$1,822		\$1,822		(\$130)	
10	* ASSUMES 2% INCREASED PROPERTY VALUATION (\$233,655,396) AND SHARED REVENUE (\$10,326)												
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SCHOOL FACES



CAN YOU DIG IT? WE CAN AND DID! These are many of the Grantham Village School students who participated in the Archeological Dig for two weeks in the spring of 1997. How many can you identify? Record their names here for history!

BACK ROW:

MIDDLE ROW:

FRONT ROW:

WHO'S MISSING?



SCHOOL ELECTION WARRANT



GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT WARRANT

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, in the county of Sullivan and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote on District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building in said Grantham, New Hampshire on Tuesday, March 10, 1998, at 10:00 A.M. to act on the following subject:

Article 1: To choose by ballot a Moderator, a Clerk and a Treasurer for a one-year term, and a School Board member for a three year term. (Polls will open at 10:00 A.M. and will close at 6:00 P.M., unless the Town votes to keep the polls open to a later hour.)

NOTE: All other school business will be considered at the School District Meeting to be held on Tuesday, March 3, 1998, at 7:00 P.M. at the Grantham Municipal Building.

Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham the 5th day of February 1998.


Charles Rogers, Chair


George A. Dorr, III


Shannon E. Hastings

a true copy of Warrant: Attest






Grantham School Board





1997 SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES



STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

TOWN OF GRANTHAM, NEW HAMPSHIRE

1997 ANNUAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING MINUTES

TUESDAY, MARCH 4, 1997

Moderator Carl Hanson called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m. at the Grantham Municipal Building.

School Board members Chair Shannon E. Hastings, George A. (Terry) Dorr III, and Charles Rogers were introduced, along with Principal Martha Hunt and Supervisory Administrative Union (SAU) #32 Staff: Superintendent John Fontana, Special Education Director Arthur Jillette and Business Administrator Ernest Muserallo.

Moderator Hanson referred to page 111 of the 1996 Town Report, District Meeting Rules and proposed to adopt these Rules of Order to follow for this meeting.

*** The rules were adopted unanimously by voice vote.**

The School District Warrant, as it appears beginning on page 112 of the 1996 Town Report was read by the Moderator. The two "NOTES" in reference to items which shall be voted on by official ballot and on March 11, 1997 were noted and read for the record. Those items involve the election of a Moderator, Clerk, Treasurer and School Board member, as well as the question of whether or not the Town shall adopt the provisions of RSA 40:13 to allow official ballot voting on all issues before the Grantham School District.

ARTICLE I: To hear the reports of Agents, Committees, and other officers heretofore chosen and pass any vote relating thereto.

Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article I as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

*** The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.**

ARTICLE II: To see if the Grantham School District will approve the report and recommendation of the School Administrative Planning or Withdrawal Committee.
(Recommended by the School Board)

Motion by Terry Dorr to approve the report and recommendation of the School Administrative Planning or Withdrawal Committee, such recommendation being: to allow the life of the Committee to be extended in order to complete the studies in the areas of Special Education, Curriculum, Financial Services and Management Structure. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

*** The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.**

ARTICLE III: To see what sum of money the District will raise and appropriate for the support of the school, for the payment of salaries of school district officials and agents, and for the payment of statutory obligations of said District and to authorize the application against said appropriation of such sums as are estimated to be received from state and federal governments, together with other income, the School Board to certify to the selectmen the balance which is to be raised by taxation by the District. (Recommended by the School Board)



1997 SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES



Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article III as written, with the sum of money to be two million two hundred ninety-five thousand three hundred sixty-three dollars (\$2,295,363). Seconded by Charles Rogers.

Motion by Art Seidel to amend the motion to adopt Article III in order to remove one hundred twenty-one thousand forty-one dollars (\$121,041) from the total sum, bringing the new total sum of money to two million one hundred seventy-four thousand three hundred twenty-two dollars (\$2,174,322). Seconded by Dick Armstrong.

Mr. Seidel explained his proposal for reduction as follows: take out the new teacher as well as FICA and other costs associated with the new teacher; reduce the furniture line; eliminate the Library Aide position; remove monies from staff development; and, take out the additional 10 Junior High and High School tuitioning.

Motion to move the question by Ella Reney.

*** The motion for amendment to Article III was defeated by vote of hands with 44 in favor and 81 opposed.**

The motion as originally proposed remained under discussion. A request signed by five registered Grantham voters was provided to the Moderator for a secret ballot vote to be taken on this question. The Moderator announced polls would be open from 9:00 p.m. to 10:00p.m. A short break was called until 9:45 p.m. The meeting then resumed while the polls were still open.

ARTICLE IV: To see if the Grantham School District will vote to raise and appropriate the sum of fourteen thousand dollars (\$14,000) to be added to the expendable general fund trust fund created on March 5, 1996, to repair and maintain the school building, under the provisions of RSA 198:20c. *(Recommended by the School Board)*

Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article IV as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

*** The motion was adopted by a majority voice vote.**

ARTICLE V: To see if the Grantham School District will vote to create a capital reserve fund under the provisions of RSA 35:1, to be known as the Grantham Village School Building Fund for the purpose of constructing an addition to the school building, and to raise and appropriate the sum of fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000) to be placed in this fund. *(Recommended by the School Board)*

Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article V as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

*** The motion was adopted by a vote of hands with 53 in favor and 29 opposed.**

ARTICLE VI: To determine and appoint the compensation of any other officers and agents of the District as follows:

- Board Chair - \$300;
- Two Board members at \$200 per individual = \$400;
- School District Treasurer - \$500;
- School District Clerk - \$50;
- School District Moderator - \$50;
- Supervisor of the Checklist - \$25 per meeting.

(Recommended by the School Board)





1997 SCHOOL MEETING MINUTES



Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article VI as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.
*** The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.**

Being that the hour was 10:00 p.m., the Moderator announced the polls to be closed regarding the ballot question for Article III. Counting of the ballots commenced.

ARTICLE VII: To see if the voters of the Grantham School District will vote to change the annual district meeting night from the first Tuesday in March to the first Friday in March beginning with the annual meeting to be held in 1998. *(By petition) Legal Counsel indicates this is advisory only and not binding on the school Board.*

Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article VII as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

Joanne Purdy explained that this petitioned article came about in an effort to change the annual meeting to a night where it would be easier for parents to obtain child care for their children so that they may attend the meeting.

*** The motion was adopted by majority voice vote.**

ARTICLE VIII: To transact any other business that may legally come before this meeting.

Motion by Terry Dorr to adopt Article VIII as written. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

Connie Howard expressed appreciation and recognition to the School Board for their hard work committed in preparing the budget.

ARTICLE III (continued)

The Moderator announced the results of the ballot vote regarding the motion to adopt Article III as read previously.

*** The motion to adopt Article III passed by ballot vote with 91 in favor and 41 opposed, a total of 132 ballots being cast.**

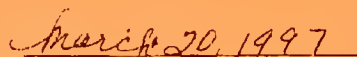
ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made and seconded to adjourn at 10:07pm.

*** The motion was adopted unanimously by voice vote.**

Respectfully submitted,


Shannon E. Hastings
School District Clerk


Date



DECEMBER MEETING MINUTES

SPECIAL SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING
GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 27, 1997

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

SULLIVAN COUNTY

Moderator Carl Hanson called the special meeting to order at 10:15 a.m., in the Grantham Municipal Building. School Board members Chair Charles Rogers, George A. (Terry) Dorr, and Shannon E. Hastings were introduced.

Moderator Hanson read into the record the School District Warrant as it was posted and published.

Motion by George A. (Terry) Dorr that the Grantham School District accept the provisions of RSA 194-C providing for the withdrawal from School Administrative Unit #32 involving the school districts of Grantham, Lebanon, and Plainfield, in accordance with the provisions of the proposed plan. Seconded by Charles Rogers.

A discussion period commenced with a series of questions being posed by the attending public and answered by School Board members present. At the close of discussions, and keeping in mind that a vote on the motion made requires a 3/5 majority in the affirmative of the voters present, the registered voters present were asked to submit either a yes or no paper ballot representative of their vote.

* The motion was adopted. The votes in favor of the motion represented more than a 3/5 majority of the registered voters present. Fifty-eight (58) paper ballots were received, meaning 35 Yes votes were needed in order for the motion to pass. There were forty-three (43) Yes votes and fifteen (15) No votes received.

GRANTHAM SCHOOL DISTRICT
WARRANT
STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE

Sullivan, ss

School District of Grantham

To the inhabitants of the School District of Grantham, in the County of Sullivan, and State of New Hampshire, qualified to vote in District affairs:

You are hereby notified to meet at the Grantham Municipal Building in said Grantham, New Hampshire on Saturday, December 27, 1997 at 10:00 AM to act on the following subject:

Shall the Grantham School District accept the provisions of RSA 194-C providing for the withdrawal from School Administrative Unit #32 involving the school districts of Grantham, Lebanon, and Plainfield, in accordance with the provisions of the proposed plan?

YES ☐NO ☐

Given under our hands and seals at said Grantham this 11th day of December, 1997

Charles R. Rogers
Charles Rogers, Chair

Shannon E. Hastings
Shannon E. Hastings

George A. Dorr III
George A. Dorr, III

A true copy: Attest

Charles R. Rogers
Shannon E. Hastings
George A. Dorr III

GRANTHAM SCHOOL BOARD

Meeting rescheduled from December 20, 1997 to December 27, 1997.

ADJOURNMENT — Motion by Marcia Llewellyn to adjourn at 11:00 a.m. Seconded by Louise Parsons.

* The motion was adopted by unanimous voice vote.

Respectfully submitted,
Shannon E. Hastings, School District Clerk





GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL



PRINCIPAL'S REPORT

Grantham Village School has just enrolled its 175th student. No longer a tiny, rural school, we are finding that growth goes hand in hand with progress. There are many exciting things going on in your school, and the children and staff are eager to share them with you.

SETTING HIGH STANDARDS

Work hard, get smart! That is the message we're giving our students. We have set very high standards and are offering the necessary instruction and support to attain them. The New Hampshire Educational Improvement and Assessment Program has provided us with the frameworks that outline what students should know and be able to do by the end of 3rd and 6th grades. We continue to align our Language Arts and Mathematics curricula with the frameworks.

Our greatest undertaking this year is the reshaping of existing Science and Social Studies curricula. We have succeeded in tailoring our programs so they address all of the elementary proficiencies. This required that we carefully analyze what we were teaching, as well as what we weren't teaching. The units of study that emerged have clear grade level benchmarks. Children are able to move from grade to grade with the assurance that they will exit Grantham Village School with the sound academic foundation necessary to succeed in Junior High, High School, and the future world of work.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

We are most appreciative of the early release days that allow us to continue the important work of meeting proficiencies. We are aware of the impact these days have on the community, and want to reassure you that this time is crucial and very productive.

We continue to strive for higher academic achievement by analyzing our teaching methods, our curriculum, and our assessment data. The Grantham staff is committed to staying current in educational research and taking the time to work with one another in order to make academic gains.



Teacher Nan Parsons assists 4th Grader Jaclyn Hastings. Emily Hanson and Sebastien Cendron, both 3rd Graders, are behind them in the classroom computer corner.

PARENTS & OTHER VOLUNTEERS

Both students and teachers continue to benefit from our strong community support. The Grantham Parent Teacher Group has assisted in many school events and projects. The Books and Beyond Program they sponsor combines with our language arts program to offer reading incentive to each and every student.

Parent involvement reached new heights this winter when they generously funded two teacher professional days. These days were invaluable in allowing a core group of teachers to delve into cur-

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GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL



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allowing a core group of teachers to delve into curriculum modifications without interruption. The partnership we build with our parents is critical to student success, and this group works to assure that the partnership is going smoothly.

The numerous GVS volunteers provide individual support to many. They participate in the Readers and Listeners Program and have built a bond reading with selected youngsters.

Other volunteers help in the library, enter data into computers, assist teachers with individual class projects, etc. We wish to recognize and thank

these volunteers who truly make a difference, one child at a time.

STUDENT COUNCIL

Our newly established Student Council has set about the business of student representation and school improvement with energy and passion. Comprised of eight 5th and 6th graders, our mission statement reads:

To improve GVS by solving school and community problems and making school better for all.

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Mrs. Heidi Bartlett

Grade 1/2

Classroom Teacher

Mrs. Linda Bohrer

Support Aide

Mrs. Denise Buckman

Grade 3/4

Classroom Teacher

Mrs. Elaine Caffrey

Media Generalist

Mrs. Michelle Couture

Kindergarten Teacher AM

Mr. Michael Coyne

Special Education

Teacher

Mr. Robert Crutchfield

Mrs. Michele Daigle

Mrs. Velma Degoosh

Mr. Roger Dontonville

Mrs. Judy Filkins

Mrs. Bridget Fisher

Mrs. Kathie Hale

Mr. Bruce Hathorn

Ms. Martha Hunt

Mrs. Sue Jaggard

Mrs. Mikiko McGee

Mr. Rob Mocarsky

Mrs. Stephanie Nelson

Mrs. Deloris Netzbund

Mrs. Nan Parsons

Mrs. Judy Pellettieri

Mrs. Elin Peterson

Mr. Oliver Renehan

Mrs. Linda Sundquist

Mrs. Nancy Tomlinson

Mrs. Bea Wadleigh

GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL STAFF LIST 1997-98

Grade 1/2 Classroom Teacher

Support/Kindergarten Aide

Food Service Worker

Physical Education/Health Teacher

Grade 5/6 Classroom Teacher

Special Education Aide

School Secretary

Grade 5/6 Classroom Teacher

Grade 3/4 Classroom Teacher

Kindergarten Teacher PM/Reading Recovery Teacher

Special Education Teacher

Grade 1/2 Classroom Teacher

Media Aide

Guidance Counselor

Grade 3/4 Classroom Teacher

Principal

Music Teacher

Custodian

Art Teacher

School Nurse

School Nurse





GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL



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SPECIAL ACTIVITIES

Students are very active in other pursuits, including Odyssey of the Mind and the Spelling Bee. After school recreational programs keep Grantham kids on the go year round. Working together, coaches and community volunteers assure that our children are well-rounded.

SHARED OWNERSHIP

My first year here has been most rewarding. I am enjoying the people of Grantham, both in and out of school, in countless ways. The thing that most impresses me is the shared ownership in this school. Any school improvement study recognizes that this is a crucial ingredient in a successful school.

MANY THANKS!

I want to thank our teachers who strive to provide well-planned lessons each and every day. This staff is second to none in dedication and desire to reach each child. I also want to thank our tremendous support staff who share the same level of passion for excellence that the teachers do.

How can you place a value on a secretary who

is willing to deliver countless messages and forgotten lunches, always with a smile, or custodians who know and greet each child by name, while taking tremendous pride in keeping the building in tip-top condition?

Children never receive a hot lunch without a kind word from our cafeteria worker, or a Band-aid without plenty of TLC from the nurses. Our para-professionals will go where needed to assist many different people with many different needs, while providing a level of flexibility necessary to keep the school running smoothly. All of these people, often operating behind the scenes, are largely responsible for the welcoming atmosphere in our school.

I look forward to a future of shared successes with the school board, staff, community members and, of course, parents and children. With so many people pulling together, I am convinced we can become the best school in the state.

*Respectfully submitted,
Judith Pellettieri
Principal*

GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL

From left: Tim Dearing (6th Grade), Zach Camber (5th), Zacheiri Hawkins (6th), Kristian MacPherson (5th), Abby Baker (5th), and Felicia Wittman (6th). Member Allison Hale (5th) and Alternate Julia Knowles (6th) were absent.





NH ASSESSMENT TESTS

NEW HAMPSHIRE ASSESSMENT TESTS

Advanced/Proficient/Basic/Novice

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Advanced/Proficient/Basic/Novice

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GRADE 3

Language Arts

State 1994	1	15	48	33
State 1995	3	26	44	22
State 1996	4	25	45	21
State 1997	5	25	42	24
Grantham 1994	0	10	50	30
Grantham 1995	0	29	19	43
Grantham 1996	19	19	29	29
Grantham 1997	0	29	43	24

Mathematics

State 1994	2	16	47	34
State 1995	9	24	42	22
State 1996	10	23	46	18
State 1997	13	26	42	17
Grantham 1994	0	10	45	45
Grantham 1995	10	14	19	57
Grantham 1996	14	24	52	10
Grantham 1997	10	52	29	10

GRADE 6

Language Arts

State 1996	1	15	38	42
State 1997	2	16	39	40
Grantham 1996	0	14	55	32
Grantham 1997	4	13	54	25

Mathematics

State 1996	1	11	27	59
State 1997	1	10	33	55
Grantham 1996	0	18	32	50
Grantham 1997	0	13	38	50

GRADE 6 (CONTINUED)

Science

State 1996	<1	9	20	69
State 1997	<1	7	22	68
Grantham 1996	0	14	32	55
Grantham 1997	0	8	21	71

Social Studies

State 1996	4	8	32	53
State 1997	4	9	35	49
Grantham 1996	0	14	45	41
Grantham 1997	4	21	25	50

GRADE 10

Language Arts

State 1996	2	8	58	26
State 1997	1	8	60	24
Grantham/ HS 1996	4	20	32	20
Grantham/ HS 1997	0	7	71	14

Mathematics

State 1996	6	17	27	45
State 1997	5	18	27	44
Grantham/ HS 1996	0	16	32	20
Grantham/ HS 1997	7	21	36	29

Science

State 1996	2	19	23	48
State 1997	2	17	26	50
Grantham/ HS 1996	0	16	24	36
Grantham/ HS 1997	0	21	36	36

Social Studies

State 1996	1	12	21	60
State 1997	1	13	23	59
Grantham/ HS 1996	0	12	12	52
Grantham/ HS 1997	0	7	29	57





SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

January 29, 1998

The Grantham enrollment continues its pattern of growth with current enrollment at 297 students. This trend will continue for the near future as smaller high school classes are replaced by larger elementary classes and as people continue to move to this attractive community. A new elementary teacher was added in 1997-98 to keep up with the growth. No new staff are included for 1998-99.

TUITION & OTHER COSTS

As the secondary school population increases, tuition payments will grow as well. Projected tuition costs are up by \$22,610 at the high school but lower by \$13,022 at the junior high. Since the rate of enrollment growth has slowed somewhat, the Board has included only three extra tuitions at each level for 1998-99 rather than the traditional five extra. Current year (1997-98) tuition savings of \$124,097 accounts for about 87% of the projected

surplus. Tuition represents 42% of the 1997-98 budget compared with 41% in 1997-98.

The budget for 1998-99 shows an increase of \$55,865 or 2.4% higher than 1997-98, including separate warrant articles. Due to the large projected surplus from 1997-98, the tax assessment drops by \$108,402 or 4.7%.

Staff salaries and benefits increase by about \$30,938 to cover raises of 2%-4% approved by the Board. The Board has increased the school nurse's time by 1.5 hours per day and has added funds for a bus monitor for additional supervision on an as needed basis. A year ago, the Board decided to delay implementation of the fourth year of the school's computer purchase plan. The purchase of 11 computers (\$17,967) is included in the budget recommendation for 1998-99.

A special warrant article to deposit another \$50,000 into the Capital Reserve Fund for a building expansion is included again this year. Also, the School Board used \$9,000 of the Expendable Trust Fund to construct a road around the school building allowing full access to the school by emergency vehicles. The special warrant article on this year's warrant for \$9,000 is intended to replenish the Expendable Trust Fund.

BECOMING SAU #75

Grantham voters have approved withdrawal from SAU #32 beginning on July 1, 1998. Grantham will become SAU #75. SAU #32 will continue operations including Lebanon and Plainfield for 1998-1999. It appears that both Lebanon and Plainfield will follow Grantham in establishing their own independent administrative structures.

ASSESSMENT TESTS

The New Hampshire Educational Improvement and Assessment Program (NHEIAP) provided the fourth year of state-wide testing results for 3rd graders and the second year for 6th and 10th graders. Third graders are tested in Language Arts and Mathematics while 6th and 10th graders add Science and Social Studies to the test. The results of the testing are herein on page 133, showing Grantham's scores compared with the State-wide scores.

Grantham percentages in each category tend to

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Treavor Hawkins raises the flag and banner representing his country for Olympic Day at Grantham Village School.





SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT



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fluctuate more than State scores due to the comparatively small number of students being tested. The general trend for 3rd grade over four years shows good progress in reducing the number of students in the novice category for mathematics and language arts. Particular challenges lie ahead to reduce the number of students in the novice category in all subject areas for grades 6 and 10.

Beyond the analysis of results to evaluate the progress of groups of students, these results should be particularly helpful to parents and teachers when conferring over the progress of individual students. Parents should review the letter they receive from the Commissioner of Education and discuss it with their child's teacher. The teacher will assist with the interpretation of the test and place the NH assessment results in context with other assessment results. Parents can also use these results to organize and follow their child's progress through their school years.

Teachers in all grades, not just the ones tested, are responsible for student results, and they will be able to respond to questions and show parents the progress being made by students toward achieving the high standards of the New Hampshire Curriculum Frameworks. All staff members will use these results to help individual students improve in the areas tested as well as to analyze and align the basic curriculum.

One major goal, of course, is to move more and more students into the proficient and advanced categories. The results of these tests provide valuable information to guide instructional decision-making and to improve curriculum. The New Hampshire Assessment Tests continue to be a major part of our assessment effort. Over time, these tests will help parents and teachers monitor and substantiate student learning.

The New Hampshire Curriculum Frameworks have provided rich content for curriculum discussions over the last two years. Teachers at the Grantham School have been involved in a series of meetings to evaluate the alignment of the curriculum with the Frameworks. The School Board has also been working to monitor the transition of Grantham students from elementary to junior high



Sarah Eigenbrode climbs a small mountain during outside play at Grantham Village School.

and high school. This monitoring has extended to a periodic review of the progress of Grantham students who are currently in high school. The effort to follow Grantham students' high school progress is part of the continuing effort to view our schools in terms of the results they achieve in kindergarten through grade 12. Assessment of our results will continue as a priority.

POSITIVE ENERGY

Our new Principal, Judy Pellettieri, "hit the ground running" and has generated much positive energy in the school and in SAU #32. Her experience and expertise are obvious in moving the educational program forward. It is also nice to see former principal, Marti Hunt, so happy in her new teaching role.

The Grantham School continues to be an exciting place to learn. We congratulate the entire staff on its continued dedication to the students and community, and we look forward to continued cooperation between SAU #32 and the new SAU #75.

*Respectfully Submitted,
John D. Fontana, Superintendent of Schools*





SAU #32 BUDGET



SCHOOL ADMINISTRATIVE UNIT #32

1998-1999 BUDGET PREPARATION

REVENUE AND ASSESSMENT
without GRANTHAM

	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
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3	1996-1997							
4	ACTUAL							
5	1997-1998							
6	BUDGET							
7	1997-1998							
8	ACTUAL OR							
9	PROJECTED							
Balance - Start	\$45,158	\$77,534	\$43,746	\$60,214	\$35,546	(\$8,200)	-18.7%	
District Assessment	\$766,975	\$766,975	\$761,732	\$761,732	\$694,358	(\$67,374)	-8.8%	
Interest	\$2,000	\$1,900	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$2,000	\$0	0.0%	
Rental	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	0.0%	
Other Income	\$8,000	\$16,171	\$8,000	\$8,000	\$10,000	\$2,000	25.0%	
TOTAL - Revenue	\$822,133	\$862,580	\$815,478	\$831,946	\$741,904	(\$73,574)	-9.0%	
TOTAL - Expenditure	\$822,133	\$802,367	\$815,478	\$796,400	\$741,904	(\$73,574)	-9.0%	
Reserve	\$32,376	\$32,376	\$32,376	\$32,376	\$28,028	(\$4,348)	na	
Balance - End	\$32,376	\$60,214	\$32,376	\$35,546	\$28,028	(\$4,348)	na	
13								
14	ASSESSMENT DISTRIBUTION FORMULA							
15	1996	1996	1996-1997	1996-1997	1996-1997	1996-1997	1996-1997	1996-1997
16	EQUALIZED	EQUALIZED	VALUATION	VALUATION	PUPIL	COMBINED	DISTRICT	PERCENT
17	VALUATION	VALUATION	PERCENT	PUPILS	PERCENT	PERCENT	SHARE	CHANGE
18	GRANTHAM	\$0	0.00%	0	0.00%	0.00%	\$0	
19	LEBANON	\$747,523,227	87.60%	2107.7	88.60%	88.10%	\$611,731	
20	PLAINFIELD	\$105,808,473	12.40%	271.2	11.40%	11.90%	\$82,628	
21								
22	TOTAL	\$853,331,700	100.00%	2378.9	100.00%	100.00%	\$694,358	
23								
24	ASSESSMENT DISTRIBUTION CHANGE							
25	1997-1998	1997-1998	1998-1999	1998-1999	1998-1999	1998-1999	1998-1999	1998-1999
26								
27	GRANTHAM	\$105,655	\$0	(\$105,655)	-100.00%			
28	LEBANON	\$576,494	\$611,731	\$35,237	6.11%			
29	PLAINFIELD	\$79,582	\$82,628	\$3,046	3.83%			
30								
31	TOTAL	\$761,731	\$694,358	(\$67,373)	-8.84%			
32								

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TOWN BILLBOARD



DOG OWNERS

**REGISTER ALL DOGS OVER
3 MONTHS OF AGE
BY APRIL 30TH.**

- Rabies certificates are required for Dog Registration;
- Civil forfeiture for not obtaining a Dog License is a fine of \$25 (RSA 466:13);
- Owners are liable for dogs running at large;
- **REGISTRATION FEES:**
\$6.50 if altered, \$9 if not altered.

MAPS AVAILABLE

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Grantham Recreation Trail Maps are available at the Town Office, made available by the Conservation Commission with the Blue Mountain Snowdusters Snowmobile & Cross Country Ski Club.

**4TH
OF
JULY**



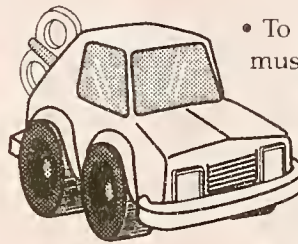
Get Ready
for the next
July 4th
Grantham
Old Home Day!
ANYTIME is
good **FLOAT
PLANNING
TIME!**

Grantham Town History

Reprinted copies of the *Grantham Town History* are available for \$12.50 from the Town Clerk during business hours. Historical Society members are working on the next stage of content for a supplementary version.

Vehicle Owners

Vehicle owners must register their vehicles with the Town Clerk.



- To re-register, owners must bring in their old registrations.
- Renewals, decals, & transfers are available.

CURRENT USE APPLICATION

New applicants for Current Use must fully complete a Current Use Application Form with a map showing clearly the land to be considered for current use, denoting use categories plotted.

All applications & maps should be on file with the Select Board by April 15, 1998.





NEED ASSISTANCE?



TOWN CLERK

TELEPHONE: 863-5608

Mon. & Thurs. 7:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.
Tues. 4:30 p.m.-8:00 p.m.
Wed. 4:30 p.m.-7:30 p.m.

NO FRIDAY HOURS

See the TOWN CLERK for:

- Motor Vehicle Registration •
- Dog License •
- Marriage License •
- Birth Certificate •
- Death Certificate •
- Voter Registration •
- Election Processes •
(Town, State, & Presidential)
- Dump Sticker •
- Wetlands Application •
(See note below)
- Research & General Information •

During Town Clerk's Hours
See the TAX COLLECTOR for:

- Tax Payment •
- ? Inquiries of Taxes •

WETLANDS: When operating near wetlands or waterways, a Dredge & Fill Application must be filed with the Town Clerk to avoid a fine under RSA 483-A.

SELECT BOARD OFFICE

TELEPHONE: 863-6021

Tues. - Fri. 7:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m.
NO MONDAY HOURS

See the SECRETARY for:

- Building Permit
- Driveway Permit
- Sign Permit
- Assessors Card
- Zoning & Planning Board Application
- Intent to Cut
(Logging & Timbering)
- State Statute
- Rental: Town Hall & Gymnasium
- Dump Sticker
- Commercial & Demolition Sticker
- Hauling Permit
- Minutes of Meeting
- Cable TV Calendar Item
- Town Bid

Please understand, though we share space, in many cases conflict of interest does not permit employees in these two areas of responsibility, TOWN CLERK & BOARD of SELECTMEN, to assist in one another's record-keeping.





TOWN & GRANTHAM NEW HAMPSHIRE 1997 ANNUAL REPORT

GRANTHAM VILLAGE SCHOOL DISTRICT MEETING

TUESDAY • MARCH 3, 1998

**7 P.M. • MUNICIPAL
SCHOOL GYMNASIUM
ARTICLES 1
THROUGH 7**

GRANTHAM ANNUAL TOWN MEETING

TUESDAY • MARCH 11, 1998

**10 A.M. • MUNICIPAL GYMNASIUM
ARTICLES 1 THROUGH 22
POLLS OPEN 10 A.M. •
CLOSE 7 P.M.**

VILLAGE DISTRICT OF EASTMAN ANNUAL MEETING

SATURDAY • MARCH 21, 1998

**9 A.M. • THE CENTER
AT EASTMAN**